

**WJAC-TV
Johnstown, PA**

Quarterly Problems & Issues Report

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QUARTERLY PROBLEMS PROGRAM REPORT

ASCERTAINED ISSUES

JULY, AUGUST, & SEPTEMBER 2012

The issues listed below are those which WJAC has determined to be the most significant issues facing our region during this quarter. They are separated into the categories below for easy reference, although many of the issues are inter-related with far-reaching impact. The Jerry Sandusky sex scandal and accusations against Penn State officials related to reporting child abuse were the most important issues. The resulting NCAA sanctions have a huge impact in our viewing area. The controversy over the voter ID law also continues to dominate the news. WJAC reported the important information viewers need to know to deal with these problems and issues.

1. CRIME / PRISON / LAW ISSUES
2. SCHOOL PROBLEMS & OTHER EDUCATION ISSUES
3. PENN STATE & THE SANDUSKY SEX SCANDAL ISSUES
4. MILITARY & VETERANS' ISSUES
5. CONSUMER AND HOUSING & BUILDING ISSUES
6. HEALTH-RELATED ISSUES
7. RELIGIONS, CHARITIES & OTHER HUMAN SERVICES OR COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION ISSUES
8. VOTER ID & OTHER GOVERNMENT ISSUES
9. SAFETY, FIREMENS' AND EMERGENCY SERVICES ISSUES
10. WEATHER, ANIMAL, ENVIRONMENTAL / WATER/ UTILITY / & ENERGY ISSUES
11. ECONOMY, BUSINESS, & JOB ISSUES
12. FAMILY, TEEN, WOMEN, & SENIOR ISSUES
13. TRANSPORTATION ISSUES

***REPORT ALSO INCLUDES INFORMATIONAL NEWS OF PUBLIC INTEREST UNDER THE ABOVE CATEGORIES.**

Quarterly Problems Program Report Programs Line-Up

KEY TO PUBLIC AFFAIRS PROGRAMMING			
CHANNEL 6 NEWS	5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	MONDAY – FRIDAY	40:00 CONTENT
CHANNEL 6 NEWS	6:00 PM – 6:30 PM	MONDAY – SUNDAY	20:00 CONTENT
CHANNEL 6 NEWS	11:00 PM – 11:35 PM	MONDAY – SUNDAY	25:00 CONTENT
NIGHTLY NEWS	6:30 PM – 7:00 PM	MONDAY – SUNDAY	20:00 CONTENT
TODAY SHOW	7:00 AM - 10:00 AM	MONDAY – FRIDAY	2:00:00 CONTENT
TODAY SHOW	1:00 PM – 2:00 PM	MONDAY – FRIDAY	50:00 CONTENT
DATELINE	VARIOUS PRIME 7:00 PM – 11:00 PM	VARIOUS MONDAY – SUNDAY	VARIOUS 48:00 - 1:36:00 CONTENT
DR. PHIL	3:00 PM – 4:00 PM	MONDAY – FRIDAY	48:00 CONTENT
ROCK CENTER WITH BRIAN WILLIAMS	10:00 PM – 11:00 PM	THURSDAYS	48:00 CONTENT

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PUBLIC AFFAIRS RELATED PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

DR. PHIL – A national syndicated program that discusses controversial, personal, and social issues. The show addresses one topic per episode and follows an interview format with some expert consultants and guests. The host, Dr. Phil McGraw, offers expert counseling. The show airs Monday – Friday, 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM.

CHANNEL 6 NEWS - The Channel 6 News Department uses the ascertained problems of the community as a basis to decide what topics should be dealt with more extensively than the day-to-day news coverage. Listed in this report are the news stories that covered the ascertained issues. The stories listed aired on 5:00 pm, 5:30 pm, 6:00 pm, and 11:00 pm newscasts.

NBC NIGHTLY NEWS – An NBC news program that presents news reports of national interest and concern. Listed in this report are the stories that pertain to ascertained issues in which the national and local concerns coincide. Monday – Friday, 6:30 – 7:00 pm.

TODAY – An NBC news program that presents news on a wide variety of topics, ranging from entertainment, to health, business, event coverage, safety, and social issues. The show follows a varied format, complete with anchored news reports, reports submitted by correspondents, talk-show style interviews, and entertainment performances. Listed in this report are stories presented which pertain to the ascertained issues. The show airs Monday – Friday, 7:00 am – 10:00 am & 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm.

DATELINE – An NBC news program that presents news on a wide variety of topics, ranging from entertainment, to health, business, event coverage, safety, and social issues. The show follows a news magazine format, introducing reports submitted by show correspondents of varying lengths. The show airs various days Monday – Sunday, at various times during the prime schedule from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm.

ROCK CENTER WITH BRIAN WILLIAMS – An NBC news program that presents news on a wide variety of topics, ranging from entertainment, to health, business, event coverage, safety, and social issues. The show follows a news magazine format, introducing reports submitted by show correspondents of varying lengths. The show currently aired Thursdays, 10pm – 11 pm..

WJAC-TV COMMUNITY OUTREACH

WJAC-TV on air personalities made many appearances this quarter at sites throughout the viewing area. Chief Meteorologist Jim Burton emceed Special Olympics events in State College on July 8th. He spoke to a group about the Polar Plunge fundraiser at Seven Springs. He emcees the JAHA concert in Central Park on Sept. 28th and the opening of the Tomahawk Hockey Season on Sept. 29th. Jim hosted a group from Association of the Blind and Handicapped in our news studio on Sept. 19th. He also made two weather presentations at the Learning Lamp Summer Camp on July 18th at the Johnstown Vo-Tech school for children grades 1 to 5. Jim also greeted viewers at the Indiana County Fair on August 30th. News Director James Platzer spoke to 9th graders at the Berlin Brothersvalley High School on Sept. 27th about careers in Television. Meteorologist Josh Fosbrink greeted viewers at Idlewild Amusement Park on Sunday, August 12th. News reporter Brittany Boyer participated in the Clearfield County Fair parade on July 30th and served as a judge for the fair queen pageant. She also helped in July with fundraisers for the Salem United Methodist Church, raising money to rebuild after the church was destroyed by a log truck. News anchor Marty Radovanic emceed several events: the Peniel Community Champions dinner in Johnstown on August 24th, the Centre County Heart Walk in State College on Sept. 9th, the Johnstown Symphony Orchestra Opera Festival in Johnstown on Sept. 15th, and the St. Vincent DePaul Society's annual dinner at St. Francis University on Sept. 23rd. Marty also participated in the NAACP Martin Luther King Jr. Golf Outing at the Berkley Hills Golf Course on Sept. 8th as well as the Pete Duranko Golf Classic fund raiser at Sunnehanna Country Club in Johnstown on Sept. 22nd. Meteorologist Tony Martin emceed for Foster Grandparents at the "Reading is Cool" competition at the Johnstown Galleria on August 8th. Tony also greeted viewers at Idlewild Park on August 12th. The WJAC Sales team donated blood in July for 7 year old Emily Whitehead of Philipsburg, a young girl fighting acute lymphoblastic leukemia. Sales team members Jen Perry, John Szwarc, Tracey Mahan, Steve Campbell, and Debbie Miller teamed up with news staffers Jim Burton, Bill Wadell, and Marty Radovanic to staff a booth at the People's Choice Festival in Boalsburg, Pa on July 12th to July 15th. Sales team member Kyra Kozielec staffed a table at the Flood City Music Festival on August 3rd, and passed out "Don't Text and Drive" thumb bands. Sales team member Matt Solomon and Controller Dennis Vickroy attended the Salvation Army Board meeting on August 4th. WJAC also sponsored a night at the Spikes Baseball Park on August 5th.

Public Service Announcements Listing 3rd Quarter 2012 by Issues and Problems

Title	Organization	Description	Length	No. of Times Aired
ISSUE: HEALTH				
"LET'S MOVE	AD COUNCIL	THIS SPOT DIRECTS FAMILIES TO WWW.LETSMOVE.GOV WHICH PROVIDES SCHOOLS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES WITH THE SIMPLE TOOLS TO HELP KIDS BE MORE ACTIVE, EAT BETTER, AND GET HEALTHY.	:30	3
"JAMIE"	AD COUNCIL	THIS SPOT ENCOURAGES AUTISM AWARENESS BY TELLING VIEWERS THE SIGNS OF AUTISM AND DIRECTING THEM WHERE TO FIND MORE INFORMATION.	:30	2
"BLACKOUT"	AD COUNCIL	THIS IS A CAMPAIGN TO EDUCATE PARENTS ABOUT CHILDHOOD OBESITY PREVENTION..	:30	7
"TOMMY HILLIGER"	AD COUNCIL	TOMMY HILLIGER SPEAKS OUT ON THE SYMPTOMS OF AUTISM AND THE TREATMENTS AVAILABLE.	:30	3
"WEAPON"	AD COUNCIL	THIS IS A CAMPAIGN URGING AMERICANS TO GET HELP FOR ARTHRITIS PAIN	:30	6
"ACTION HERO"	AD COUNCIL	THIS IS A CAMPAIGN URGING KIDS TO BE ACTIVE AND PREVENT CHILDHOOD OBESITY	:30	8
"FISH"	AD COUNCIL	THIS SPOT ENCOURAGES PARENTS TO TAKE PRECAUTIONS TO PREVENT CHILDHOOD ASTHMA	:30	6
"HEART WALK"	WJAC	SPOT PROMOTED LOCAL CENTRE COUNTY FUND RAISER FOR THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION	:30	29
"LIGHT THE NIGHT"	WJAC	THIS SPOT ENCOURAGES VIEWERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE "LIGHT THE NIGHT WALK" THAT RAISES FUNDING FOR THE LEUKEMIA AND LYMPHOMA SOCIETY.	:30	56
"AUTISM AWARENESS"	AD COUNCIL	CAMPAIGN TO INCREASE AWARENESS AND KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THE PREVALENCE OF AUTISM AND THE NEED TO MONITOR CERTAIN DEVELOPMENTAL MILESTONES.	:30	8
"CHILDHOOD OBESITY"	DEPT. OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES	THE SPOT INFORMS PARENTS ABOUT SCIENCE-BASED PROGRAM FROM THE	:30	5

			NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH TO PROMOTE A HEALTHIER LIFESTYLE OF PROPER NUTRITION AND EXERCISE.		
ISSUE: MILITARY AND VETERANS ISSUES					
"CAMOUFLAGE"	AD COUNCIL		THIS SPOT ENCOURAGES VETERANS STRUGGLING WITH MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES TO REACH OUT FOR THE AVAILABLE HELP.	:30	6
"VET JOBS"	COALITION TO SALUTE AMERICAN HEROES		THIS SPOT IS AN APPEAL BY COACH MIKE DITKA TO BUSINESSES AND OTHER EMPLOYERS TO BET ON A VET BY HIRING THEM.	:30	7
"VETERANS ASSOCIATION"	DEPT. OF VETERANS AFFAIRS		THIS SPOT EMPHASIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF SUPPORTING VETERANS RETURNING FROM ARMED CONFLICTS AND THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO HELP	:30	4
ISSUE: FAMILY & TEEN ISSUES					
"STAIRS"	AD COUNCIL		THIS CAMPAIGN TARGETS TEENS WHO TEXT WHILE DRIVING, MAKING THEM AWARE OF THE INCREASE ODDS OF HAVING AN ACCIDENT WHILE TEXTING..	:10	18
"ADOPTION – THE HANDY DAD"	AD COUNCIL		THIS PSA DIRECTS VIEWERS TO WWW.ADOPTUSKIDS.ORG FOR CURRENT ACCURATE INFORMATION ABOUT THE FOSTERCARE SYSTEM AND THE ADOPTION PROCESS.	:30	1
"WE CAN HELP US"	AD COUNCIL		THIS IS AN AWARENESS CAMPAIGN ABOUT SUICIDE PREVENTION. IT SPEAKS TO THE TRAGEDY AND DIRECTS VIEWERS TO SOURCES OF HELP..	:30	6

"FOUNTAIN"	AD COUNCIL	THIS CAMPAIGN TARGETS TEENS WHO TEXT WHILE DRIVING, MAKING THEM AWARE OF THE INCREASE ODDS OF HAVING AN ACCIDENT WHILE TEXTING..	:30	3
"SUNSCREEN"	AD COUNCIL	THIS CAMPAIGN ENCOURAGES PEOPLE TO CONSIDER SHARING THEIR LIVES BY ADOPTING.	:30	3
"START SOMETHING"	BIG BROTHERS AND BIG SISTERS	THIS IS A CAMPAIGN ABOUT BECOMING A MENTOR FOR A CHILD FROM AN UNDERPRIVILEGED FAMILY..	:30	8
"PSA MENTORING"	AD COUNCIL	THE CAMPAIGN HIGHLIGHTS THE POWERFUL IMPACT OF MENTORING IN THE BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS PROGRAM.	:30	4
"PAPER TOSS BOYSTOWN"	BOYSTOWN	THIS SHOW ENCOURAGES TROUBLED TEENS OR RUNAWAYS TO CONTACT A COUNSELOR EITHER BY THE PHONE HOTLINE OR THEIR NEW WEBSITE.	:30	6
ISSUE: EDUCATION				
"SKATE"	AD COUNCIL	THIS CAMPAIGN ENCOURAGES STUDENTS TO BE DEDICATED IN GETTING AN EDUCATION AND GOING TO COLLEGE.	:30	7
"LE BRON STATISTICS"	AD COUNCIL	THIS IS A CAMPAIGN TO EDUCATE YOUNG PEOPLE ABOUT THE STATISTICS OF DROP OUTS AS FAR AS THEIR FUTURE JOBS..	:30 :15	3 1
"4 MILES"	AD COUNCIL	THIS SPOT ENCOURAGES EVERYONE TO VOLUNTEER AND MOTIVATE CHILDREN TO STAY IN SCHOOL. VIEWERS ARE DIRECTED TO A WEBSITE BOOSTUP.ORG THAT OFFERS MORE INFORMATION	:30	3
"JOHN CARTER"	AD COUNCIL	THIS SPOT EMPHASIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF READING TO CHILDREN AND THE ENJOYMENT THEY CAN GAIN FROM READING.	:30	6
"BULLYING NAT RUNAWAY"	NATIONAL RUNAWAY SWITCHBOARD	THIS SPOT ENCOURAGES PARENTS TO TALK TO KIDS ABOUT BULLYING BEFORE THEY RUN AWAY FROM HOME. IT ALSO PROVIDES A	:30	9

		PHONE NUMBER WHERE KIDS AND PARENTS CAN GET HELP.		
"GED ACHIEVEMENT"	DOLLAR GENERAL LITERACY FOUNDATION	THE CAMPAIGN PROVIDES VIEWERS THE INFO THEY NEED TO FIND GED PROGRAMS AND HOW THE GED DIPLOMA PROCESS WORKS.	:30	10
ISSUE: GOVERNMENT ISSUES				
"VOTER ID"	PAB	THIS SPOT INFORMS VIEWERS THAT THEY WILL NEED PHOTO ID WITH AN EXPIRATION DATE TO VOTE IN THIS YEAR'S PRIMARY ELECTION. IT TELLS THEM HOW TO GET AN ID IF THEY DON'T HAVE ONE..	:30	26
ISSUE: SAFETY ISSUES				
"CLEAN"	AD COUNCIL	THIS SPOT ADDRESSES THE ISSUE OF CLEANLINESS WHEN HANDLING FOOD AND EDUCATION ABOUT FOOD HANDLING ..	:30	
"CEREAL BOWL"	AD COUNCIL	THIS SPOT ADVISES PARENTS ABOUT THE DANGERS OF LEAD POISONING AND STEPS FOR PREVENTION..	:30	6
ISSUE: ENERGY, ENVIRONMENTAL, AND ANIMAL ISSUES				
"BEST PLACE"	AD COUNCIL	THIS SPOT ENCOURAGES VIEWERS TO ADOPT A PET FROM A LOCAL SHELTER	:30	3
"FUN NEW FRIENDS"	AD COUNCIL	THIS SPOT TELLS ABOUT THE REWARDS OF PET ADOPTION..	:30	2

"THIS IS A FOREST"	AD COUNCIL	THIS SPOT ENCOURAGES VIEWERS TO DISCOVER NATURE BY SPENDING TIME OUTDOORS.	:30	1
"UNPLUG"	AD COUNCIL	THIS CAMPAIGN URGES VIEWERS TO DISCOVER NATURE AND APPRECIATE OUR NATURAL RESOURCES.	:30	5
"CLIFF"	AD COUNCIL	THIS IS A CAMPAIGN STRESSING THE IMPORTANCE OF USING ENERGY-EFFICIENT APPLIANCES AND THE ROLE WE CAN ALL PLAY IN CONSERVING ENERGY	:30	2
ISSUE: CONSUMER AND HOUSING ISSUES				
"CLOWN"	AD COUNCIL	THIS SPOT ADVISES HOMEOWNERS TO BEWARE OF FORECLOSURE SCAMS AND WHERE TO GET HELP TO PREVENT FORECLOSURE ON THEIR HOMES.	:30	8
"I'M HOME"	AD COUNCIL	THIS IS A CAMPAIGN TO HELP HOMEOWNERS FIND THE RESOURCES THEY NEED TO PREVENT FORECLOSURE.	:10 :60	13 10
"VILLAIN"	AD COUNCIL	THIS MESSAGE ENCOURAGES HOME OWNERS TO CHECK OUT THE PROGRAMS AVAILABLE TO HELP WITH MORTGAGE PAYMENTS AND NOT FALL VICTIM TO SCAM ARTISTS OFFERING PHONY FIXES.	:30	11
"FROZEN"	AD COUNCIL	THIS IS AN AWARENESS CAMPAIGN FOR A GOVERNMENT PROGRAM CALLED MAKING HOMES AFFORDABLE. IT AIDS PEOPLE STRUGGLING WITH MORTGAGE PAYMENTS.	:30	9
"STRUGGLE"	AD COUNCIL	THIS IS AN AWARENESS CAMPAIGN FOR A GOVERNMENT PROGRAM CALLED MAKING HOMES AFFORDABLE. IT AIDS PEOPLE STRUGGLING WITH MORTGAGE PAYMENTS.	:30	6
"THE RIDE"	PAB	THIS SPOT EMPHASIZES THE IMPORTANCE OF GETTING HELP IF YOU ARE FACING A	:30	48

			MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE AND DIRECTS VIEWERS TO A VARIETY OF RESOURCES..		
ISSUE: CRIME AND LAW					
"BREATHALYZER"	AD COUNCIL		THIS CAMPAIGN STRESSES THAT BUZZED DRIVING CAN LEAD TO DEATH, AND THAT A FEW DRINKS CAN LEAD TO IMPAIRED DRIVING	:10	19
"HOUSE PARTY"	AD COUNCIL		THIS CAMPAIGN STRESSES THAT BUZZED DRIVING CAN LEAD TO DEATH, AND THAT A FEW DRINKS CAN LEAD TO IMPAIRED DRIVING	:30	1
"STRETCHER"	AD COUNCIL		THIS CAMPAIGN STRESSES THAT BUZZED DRIVING CAN LEAD TO DEATH, AND THAT A FEW DRINKS CAN LEAD TO IMPAIRED DRIVING	:10	21
"MUG SHOTS"	AD COUNCIL		THIS CAMPAIGN STRESSES THAT BUZZED DRIVING CAN LEAD TO DEATH, AND THAT A FEW DRINKS CAN LEAD TO IMPAIRED DRIVING	:10	22
"IT HURTS"	NAT'L CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL		THIS IS A CAMPAIGN TO ENCOURAGE VIEWERS TO ACT RESPONSIBLY IN PREVENTING PROPERTY THEFT.	:30	6
"PREMONITION"	NAT'L CRIME PREVENTION COUNCIL		THIS IS A CAMPAIGN TO ENCOURAGE VIEWERS TO ACT RESPONSIBLY IN PREVENTING PROPERTY THEFT.	:60	7
ISSUE: HUMAN SERVICE AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS					
"GIVE A MEAL"	AD COUNCIL		THIS SPOT ADVISES VIEWERS HOW THEY CAN HELP IN PREVENTING HUNGER HERE IN AMERICA..	:30	6
"AARON"	AD COUNCIL		THIS SPOT ENCOURAGES VIEWERS TO HELP WITH HUNGER PREVENTION HERE IN AMERICA.	:30	2
"MATT-STEVE"	AD COUNCIL		THIS SPOT ENCOURAGES VIEWERS TO HELP	:30	1

"TAYE - REGGIE"	AD COUNCIL	WITH HUNGER PREVENTION HERE IN AMERICA. THIS SPOT ENCOURAGES VIEWERS TO HELP WITH HUNGER PREVENTION HERE IN AMERICA.	:30	2
"OPERA FEST"	WJAC	THIS SPOT PROMOTES THE NEW SEASON OF THE JOHNSTOWN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA AND OPERA FEST.	:30	6
"PA SPECIAL OLYMPICS"	SPECIAL OLYMPICS	THE SPOT TELLS HOW THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS HAS THE POWER TO TRANSFORM LIVES AND EDUCATES PEOPLE NOT TO DISFRANCHISE OR MARGINALIZE THOSE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES.	:30	6
"SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM"	FEEDING AMERICA	THIS SPOTS URGES PARENTS AND CHILD CAREGIVERS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE Summer Food Service Program for kids during the summer school vacation.	:30	6

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7/2/12, 6 PM, Monday Bill Wadell

SOBER 4TH DRIVING

PennDOT is trying to prevent as many accidents as possible this holiday. They held a DUI Education Day at Del Grosso's today giving the message, "Don't drink and drive."

:39 - VO/SOT

Pam Kane - PennDOT

7/6/12, 5 / 6 PM, Friday Gary Sinderson

PSP CLOSE

Now that the state budget is passed, where do the State Police stand on possible barracks closure? Gary Sinderson reports.

:48 - VO/SOT

Rep. Scott Conklin - (D) 77th District

7/9/12, 11 PM, Monday Melanie Gillespie

RAILROAD STREET SUSPICIONS

Two boys riding their bikes on Railroad Street in Johnstown were bidden to join two men driving in a truck. The boys fled, which is what police say they should do. Melanie Gillespie reports that police want to know what the men wanted.

1:27 - Package

David Newcomer - Johnstown

Tommy Newcomer - Johnstown

Det. Julie Wagner - Johnstown Police

7/11/12, 11 PM, Wednesday Melanie Gillespie

BATH SALTS BAN

Bath salts was cited in another arrest in Cambria County this week. This comes shortly after what the D.A. calls the largest bath salts bust ever in the county. Melanie Gillespie reports the trend is growing in the northern part of the county.

1:14 - Package

Wayne Langerholc - Assistant District Attorney, Cambria County

7/12/12, 5 / 11 PM, Thursday Maria Miller

RAILROAD STREET FOLLOWUP

Two men who tried to lure two young boys to their truck were apprehended. Police say the boys and the community cooperated to find the men. Maria Miller reports that was all it took to get the suspects under arrest.

1:20 - Package

Det. Julie Wagner - Johnstown Police

David Newcomer - Victim

7/16/12, 5 / 6 PM, Monday Maria Miller

KERNVILLE BB SHOOT

A Johnstown woman was rushed to the emergency room today after being shot in the neck with a pellet gun. The woman was minding her own business, standing on her porch when it happened in broad daylight. Maria Miller reports that police say this has happened to others here before.

:57 - Package

Jody Altemus - Victim's daughter

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7/17/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Tuesday Maria Miller

KERNVILLE BB SHOOT

A Johnstown woman is now recovering at home after being shot with a BB gun on her porch. The man who fired the shot is in jail, claiming he was shooting at a bird. Maria Miller reports.

1:33 – Package

Joan Altemus – Shot with BB gun

Jody Altemus – Victim's daughter

7/18/12, 6 PM, Wednesday Maria Miller

CENTRAL BOOKING

Cambria County believes it can make its criminal system more efficient and keep you safe by having a central booking facility. Maria Miller reports.

1:12 – Package

Timothy Creany – President Judge

7/19/12, 6 PM, Thursday Maria Miller

DRUG BUST

Three major drug dealers in our area have been caught in the act and arrested. Maria Miller reports the Cambria County Drug Task Force investigated and took them down.

1:00 – VO

7/20/12, 11 PM, Friday Bill Wadell

EVERETT TEEN SHOOTING

There is a lot of heartache for two families tonight. A 15 year old is accused of shooting and killing his friend while playing with a gun. The District Attorney says it's a tragedy, but not an accident. It could have been prevented. Bill Wadell reports.

1:01 – Package

Bill Higgins

7/20/12, 6 PM, Friday Maria Miller

NORTON ROAD ASSAULT

Police say that two men robbed a man, then tied him up and set him on fire. Maria Miller reports neighbors are terrified. They have stayed inside all day, horrified over what happened last night.

1:20 – Package

Woman afraid to go on camera

7/25/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Wednesday Bill Wadell

TEEN KILLED

As friends and classmates paid their final respects to a Bedford teen, WJAC confirmed that more charges will be filed against the teen that shot him and the owner of the gun. Bill Wadell reports on the criminal complaint against the teen playing with the gun.

1:25 – Package

Bill Higgins – Bedford County DA

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7/26/12, 5 PM, Thursday Marty Radovanic

PENNDOT DUI TRAINING

Police say they've seen a 27% spike in the number of people taking drugs and driving. Officers know how to sniff out drivers under the influence of alcohol, but when it comes to drugs, it's a different story.

:50 – VO/SOT

Sgt. Brian Freiwald – Altoona Police

7/27/12, 6 PM / 12 MID, Friday Brittany Boyer

BLOCK PARENT

Members of the Reynoldsville community are joining forces to make their streets safer. Because they have a small police department, they have put together a block parent program to help keep kids safe. Brittany Boyer explains.

1:23 – Package

John Scolese – Block Parent Program

7/31/12, 12 MIDNIGHT, Tuesday Melanie Gillespie

ICE CREAM / DRUGS

Police say a suspicious cargo van was lurking around the streets of Somerset selling ice cream while transporting drugs inside. Melanie Gillespie talked with neighbors about their concerns.

1:39 – Package

Chad Maxwell – Parent who saw truck

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8/1/12, 5 / 6 PM / 12 MID,

Wednesday

Bill Wadell

HUNT CO DRUG SWEEP

One person is on the run and eight others are in handcuffs following a drug sweep in Huntingdon County. Bill Wadell reports that with the banning of bath salts, trends are shifting to greater trafficking of hard street drugs.

1:22 – Package

Agent James Walstrom – Attorney General's Office

George Zanic – Huntingdon County District Attorney

8/8/12, 6 PM ,

Wednesday

Maria Miller

SHOOTING INVESTIGATION

State Police were expected to release the findings today, but now they need more time. Maria Miller reports the report will be lengthy.

1:30 – Package

Kelly Callnan – Cambria County District Attorney

8/9/12, 6 PM, / 12 MIDNIGHT

Thursday

Maria Miller

WEST END BREAK INS

People living in Morrelville in the West End of Johnstown are on edge about a group of men breaking into homes. Maria Miller reports that police are trying to help but not all the crimes are being reported.

1:21 – Package

Vaughn Stiffler – Home broken into

8/13/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM,

Monday

Marty Radovanic

SHERIDAN STREET SHOOTING

The Johnstown NAACP wants the public to come together to talk about the police-involved deadly shooting on Sheridan street last month. They also want to talk about personal encounters with local police.

:40 – VO

8/15/12, 5:30 PM

Wednesday

Maria Miller

PITT BOMB THREATS

Authorities say they have an Irish man in custody, accused of emailing dozens of threats to the Pitt main campus. The bomb threats caused a disruption on campus for many days and became frustrating for students and faculty. Maria Miller reports.

:50 – VO

8/15/12, 5:30 PM

Wednesday

Brittany Boyer

POLICE HIRING

The Curwensville Police Department is looking to hire its third police officer. But residents there say three is not enough. Brittany Boyer reports there is a concern about increased crime.

1:20 – Package

Pam Riddle – Curwensville Feed Store

Mary Jane Sherman – Southside Subs & Groceries

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8/15/12, 11 PM

Wednesday

Melanie Gillespie

SHERIDAN SHOOTING

Tomorrow morning, district attorney Kelly Callihan will hold a press conference to announce her decision on the status of the police shooting on Sheridan Street in June. Melanie Gillespie reports the community is anxious to hear the decision.

1:40 – Package

Alan G. Cashaw – President, NAACP Johnstown

8/16/12, 5 / 5:30 / 6 / 11 PM

Thursday

Maria Miller

DA SAYS SHOOTING JUSTIFIED

Three Johnstown police officers are soon headed back to work after Cambria County District Attorney Kelly Callihan say the June shooting of a man driving towards them was justifiable. Maria Miller reports.

1:45 – Package

Kelly Callihan – Cambria County District Attorney

8/16/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM

Thursday

Natasha Acrie

SHERIDAN REAX

Reaction from the family and friends of Elip Cheatham came quickly after the DA's news conference stating no charges would be filed against police officers. Many of them were at the courthouse where Callihan released her findings. Natasha Acrie reports that they feel justice was not served.

1:16 – Package

Antoine Cheatham – Family

Rev. Nancy Compton – Family friend

Evangeline Clinton – Family

Valerie Jenkins – Family

8/20/12, 5 / 6 PM,

Monday

Melanie Gillespie

NCAAP HOSTING PUBLIC FORUM

It has been 3 days since a decision that a fatal shooting by Johnstown police was justified. But tensions remain high in the city. The local branch of the NAACP is hosting a meeting tonight to give the community a chance to speak their concerns. Melanie Gillespie reports on what is expected to be covered.

:50 – Package

Alan Cashaw – President, Johnstown NAACP

8/20/12, 11 PM,

Monday

Melanie Gillespie

PUBLIC FORUM

It drew 230 people. The public forum that was meant to better the community's relationship with city police may have created more of a divide. Melanie Gillespie reports on how organizers and the community is reacting.

2:00 – Package

8/21/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM

Tuesday

Maria Miller

HIGHLAND PARK ASSAULT

A Johnstown man accused of beating another man on his own property was in court today claiming self defense. But relatives of the victim say the attack was in response to a reasonable request to move a car, not a violent threat. Maria Miller reports.

1:40 – Package

Lynne Koontz – Victim's sister

Rose Robertson – Victim's sister

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8/27/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Monday Maria Miller

DINNING SCHEME

Federal investigators are calling it a large-scale scheme where a Somerset man made phony promises to investors to steal their money. Police actually had to go to Canada to capture the man. Maria Miller reports on the scheme, how it worked, and who was involved.

1:33 – Package

Dave Rascona – Knows Dinning

8/28/12, 5 / 11 PM, Tuesday Marty Radovanic

DUI KICKOFF

There were over 50,000 DUI arrests in Pennsylvania last year. The number is continuing to grow. In response, police all over the area are beefing up patrols for the Labor Day weekend. They are also looking for people under the influence of over-the-counter drugs.

:52 – VO/SOT

Pam Kane – PennDOT

8/28/12, 6 / 11 PM, Tuesday Maria Miller

SCHOOL BUS DANGERS

With the start of school comes the reminder to stop your vehicle for school buses when they are picking up or dropping off kids. Maria Miller reports that some area drivers are not stopping and parents are upset.

1:24 – Package

Clairese Barkley – Concerned parent

Benny Britt – Concerned parent

8/29/12, 11 / PM, Wednesday Melanie Gillespie

PAINT TWP BROKE

Paint Township is facing a budget crunch, so bad that supervisors are asking neighboring Windber to step in and help keep police on patrol. Melanie Gillespie reports on how widespread the impact could be.

1:37 – Package

Gary Pagano – Windber

Matthew Rancourt – Manager, Hurdles

Charles Burkhard – Windber

8/30/12, 11 PM, Thursday Melanie Gillespie

PAYING FOR POLICE PROTECTION

Paint Township will get a \$90,000 advance from Windber Borough for police protection. But the payment comes with conditions. One of them is that Chief Rick Skiles will be managing the funds. Melanie Gillespie reports.

1:45 – Package

Jim Furmanchik – Vice President, Windber Council

Chief Richard Skiles – Paint Township Police

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8/31/12, 5:30 PM, Friday Brittany Boyer

SECURITY INCREASED AT TREASURE LAKE

Treasure Lake is stepping up security after recent acts of vandalism. New security cameras have been installed in undisclosed places. Thanks to the new cameras, five people have already been charged with various crimes. Brittany Boyer reports.

1:09 – Package

Amber Rieg – Treasure Lake Marketing

8/31/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Friday Maria Miller

GREENAWALT SEX ARREST

In another disturbing case of child abuse, a Cambria County man is facing felony charges that he raped a young girl for over two years. Maria Miller reports.

1:21 – Package

Chief Edward Miller – Portage Borough Police

Katrina Conrad – Lives next door

Joe Kukla – Children play next door

Kira Kukla – Children play next door

NBC – CRIME / PRISON / LAW ISSUES AUGUST

TODAY

Thursday, 8/16 8 AM

Rossen Reports – Tow and go auto thefts. What can you do?

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9/4/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM , Tuesday Brittany Boyer

SUSPECT SURRENDERS

A Cameron County man accused of kidnapping a bank employee at gunpoint and being on the run for nearly a month has surrendered. While police say he is right where he belongs, behind bars, those who know him are shocked and believe there is more to the story. Brittany Boyer reports.

1:09 – Package

Denise Osti – Friend of Tom Smith

James Lusnack – Emporium Resident

9/4/12, 6 / 11 PM , Tuesday Bill Wadell

BABY DEATH

A judge has bound over first degree murder charges against a woman accused of killing her six-week old son two years ago. The mother was charged after a year long investigation. However, her lawyer says there is no proof or evidence. Bill Wadell reports.

1:44 – Package

George Zanic – Huntingdon County District Attorney

Tom Dickey – Boyd's Defense Attorney

9/5/12, 5 PM , Wednesday Marty Radovanic

CAM COUNTY DUI PATROL

There were hundreds of DUI related accidents across Pennsylvania over the Labor Day weekend. Authorities don't want to see those kind of numbers again. So Cambria County police are setting up sobriety checkpoints for every weekend this month.

:51 – VO/SOT

Capt. Andrew Frear – Johnstown Police

9/5/12, 5 / 6 / 11:30 PM , Wednesday Melanie Gillespie

CONCESSION STAND TRASHED

People who worked all summer to get the concession stand at Windber Stadium ready for football season are upset after vandals trashed the stand just days before the first game. Melanie Gillespie reports that police are treating it as a serious crime.

1:10 – Package

Det. Dan Croyle – Paint Township Police

Matt Grohal – Treasurer, Windber Rec. Assoc.

9/5/12, 5 / 6 / 11:30 PM , Wednesday Marty Radovanic

BULLETS INTO HOME

A family in Bedford had a scare this morning as someone fired bullets into their home. The owner says he has never thought he needed to own a gun until now.

:45 – VO/SOT

Daniel Mooney – Homeowner

9/6/12, 5:30 / 11 PM , Thursday Marty Radovanic

SOMERSET PD PRACTICES

The Somerset Police Department is trying to win back the respect and trust of residents after an officer took a bribe.

:47 – VO/SOT / Graphic

Chief Randy Cox – Somerset Police

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9/6/12, 11 PM, Thursday Melanie Gillespie

BANK ROBBERY

Ten minutes before closing, the Ameriserv Bank in Westmont was robbed. Melanie Gillespie reports that police believe the bank robbery and a robbery at another Westmont business are connected. They have advice for anyone who finds themselves at the scene of a hold-up.

1:11 – Package

Det. George Musulin – West Hills Police

9/7/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Friday Bill Wadell

MOORE STREET RAID

Heroin, guns, and cash were seized this morning in an early raid in Huntingdon County. Police say drug deals were going on in broad daylight, sometimes even in front of kids. Bill Wadell reports the neighbors were instrumental in this investigation that took down high-level dealers.

1:40 – Package

Dennis Whisonant – Lives nearby

Randy Feathers – Attorney General Bureau of Narcotics

Robin Gill – Works nearby

Sherri Walker – Longtime resident

George Zanic – Huntingdon County District Attorney

9/10/12, 6 / 11 PM, Monday Marty Radovanic

DAVIDSVILLE 1ST NAT ROB

Witnesses say a man walked in to the First National Bank in Davidsville, pointed a gun, and told everyone to hit the ground. He then proceeded to rob the place. Police believe he is the same culprit who pulled off two robberies last week in Westmont.

:38 – VO

9/10/12, 5 PM, Monday Stephanie Elam

CAR THEFT

Car theft has been on the rise across the country. Officials say thieves are targeting older-model vehicles for their parts. Stephanie Elam explains how you can keep your vehicle from being targeted.

1:35 – Package

Lt. Paul Vernon – L.A. Police Department

9/12/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Wednesday Jen Johnson & Marty Radovanic

WOMAN ROBS BANK

Another bank in our area was robbed today, this one in Moxham. Police do not think this one is related to two other bank robberies in the last two weeks.

:48 – VO/SOT

Chief Craig Faust – Johnstown Police

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9/12/12, 5 PM, Wednesday Bill Wadell

MCCLURE BABY ASSAULT

After a two year investigation, a home daycare provider has been slapped with felony assault charges. Bill Wadell reports that police felt that even after several years, it was important to bring these charges as they seek to serve and protect those who can't speak up for themselves.

1:17 – Package

Chief David King – Spring Township Police

9/12/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Wednesday Gary Sinderson

SC DRINK FINE

State College Borough leaders are asking lawmakers to increase the fines and fees being paid by those convicted of drinking-related violations to help deal with increased police costs. Drinking is up and it takes money to respond to a larger number of incidents. Gary Sinderson reports.

:50 – Package

Tom Fountaine – State College Borough Manager

9/14/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Thursday Maria Miller & Melanie Gillespie

GUNMAN SHOT

Richland Township Police heard gunshots outside their municipal building and saw a man with a gun. When he wouldn't put it down, they shot him. The man was taken to Conemaugh Hospital and had surgery. He has now been charged with attempted homicide. During the incident, area schools were locked down. Taking every precaution was extremely important to officers. The suspect has a history of mental problems.

1:34 – Package

9/14/12, 6 / 11 PM, Thursday Bill Wadell

MYERS SEX ASSAULT

The man accused of assaulting 8 Amish and Mennonite boys has taken a plea deal. Prosecutors are relieved that the victims will not need to relive their ordeals in court. Bill Wadell reports.

:45 Package

Larry Myers – Accepted guilty plea

George Zanic – Huntingdon County District Attorney

9/14/12, 6 / 11 PM, Friday Melanie Gillespie

POLICE PD SHOTS

Police secured a search warrant for the home of the man involved in the shooting at the Richland Police Dept. They have discovered the man has had a record of run ins with Richland Police. Melanie Gillespie reports that the State Police are covering every angle in their investigation.

1:20 – Package

Kelly Callihan – Cambria County District Attorney

9/17/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Monday Jen Johnson & Marty Radovanic

KEVIN MCGEE DETAILS

According to court documents, Kevin McGee, the man who shot out a police cruiser window and then pointed a gun at police, first encountered police last February after he passed out in his home from smoking bath salts.

1:07 – VO

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9/17/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Monday Maria Miller

BEDFORD STREET BUST

Johnstown police arrested a suspected heroin dealer over the weekend and discovered more than 900 packaged bags of the drug inside his home. They are very happy he is off the street and say he was a major dealer in Cambria County. Maria Miller reports that police believe this bust is going to make a huge dent in the drug trade here.

1:03 – Package

Capt. Andrew Frear – Johnstown Police

9/18/12, 5 PM, Tuesday Jen Johnson

SCPD PRE K CRIME

Senator Jake Corman and State College Police Chief Tom King stopped by St. Paul's Christian Pre-School to read to a classroom of kids. It is part of the "Fight Crime – Invest in Kids" initiative. The group believes early education reduces crime and future costs to taxpayers.

:45 – VO/SOT

Bruce Clash – Fight Crime-Invest in Kids

9/19/12, 5 PM, Wednesday Jen Johnson

JTOWN POLICE TWITTER

The Johnstown police want to connect with the public through Twitter. They hope to keep residents informed and even get some help solving crimes.

:39 – VO/SOT

Capt. Andy Frear – Johnstown Police

9/19/12, 11 PM, Wednesday Melanie Gillespie

BOROUGHES CONFIDENT

Paint Township has started laying off employees and raising taxes. Will neighboring boroughs get the police protection they've paid for? Melanie Gillespie reports.

1:33 – Package

Jim Furmanchik – VP, Windber Council

Daniel Bulger – Central City Police Committee

9/24/12, 6 / 11 PM, Monday Bill Wadell

BENNER PIKE FATAL

A man was arrested today after being accused of being on strong pain pills when he wrecked the car and killed his wife. Doctors say the people must check the warnings on prescription and over-the-counter medication as far as how it affects driving abilities. Bill Wadell reports.

1:23 – Package

Chief Tom King – State College Police

9/25/12, 6 / 11 PM, Tuesday Bill Wadell

ACCUSED BATH SALT SHOOTER

A man accused of shooting someone while under the influence of bath salts says he didn't get a fair trial. was arrested today after being accused of being on strong pain pills when he wrecked the car and killed his wife. Doctors say the people must check the warnings on prescription and over-the-counter medication as far as how it affects driving abilities. Bill Wadell reports.

1:31 – package

William Ledford – Defender

Tom Dickey Ledford's attorney

George Zanic – Huntingdon County District Attorney

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9/26/12, 6 PM,

Wednesday

Bill Wadell

COMING EXECUTION

There is new evidence in a 1984 murder case, and now many are wondering if the execution of the convicted murderer will be delayed. It will be the first execution in Pennsylvania in 13 years. Bill Wadell reports.

:56 – Package

Jill Engle – Penn State Law Professor

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: SCHOOL & EDUCATION ISSUES JULY

7/3/12, 11 PM, Tuesday Maria Miller

SHADE SCHOOL BUSES

Alvin's Bus Company has provided service to the Shade Central City School District for over 80 years. But all that changed last month. Now the family run bus company feels betrayed and are out of business. Maria Miller reports.

1:20 – Package

Cory Manges – Alvin's Bus Company

Roxanne Manges – Alvin's Bus Company

7/2/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Tuesday Jen Johnson & Marty Radovanic

UPJ WRI PARTNERSHIP

A unique partnership between UPJ and the Windber Research Institute will help students get hands on experience they need to get jobs in science fields.

1:12 – VO/SOT

Brianne Seitz – Biology Major

Tom Kurtz – President, CEO Windber Research

Jem Spectar – President, Pitt-Johnstown

7/19/12, 5 PM, Thursday Jen Johnson

STUDENT DEBT HIGH

Student loan debt now exceeds credit card debt, topping one trillion dollars. The peak comes from per-profit colleges who target low-income students.

:45 – VO/SOT

Sen. Tom Harkin – Chairman, Senate Education Committee

7/20/12, 5:30 PM, Friday Alison Burns

STUDENT LOAN CRISIS

Millions of Americans are saddled with student loan debt they can't pay back. Alison Burns reports that a new government study points the finger at private lenders making risky loans.

1:20 – Package

Rohit Chopra – Consumer Protection Bureau

7/24/12, 6 / 11 PM, Tuesday Natasha Acrie

LEARNING LAMP CYBER

The Learning Lamp and a technology support company want to help local school districts launch their own cyber schools to save money and keep kids in their districts. Natasha Acrie reports how the program can help make sure students are getting a good education.

1:30 – Package

Heidi Rizkalla – Director of Learning Lamp

Rachel Sernell – Lead instructor

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7/27/12, 5 PM,

Thursday

Scott MacFarlane

HUGE SCHOOL CUTS

A budget stalemate in Congress is poised to drop a hammer on schools in the Alleghenies. Scott MacFarlane reports that it will mean staff reductions.

1:20 – Package

Marcia Boyd – Elementary School Principal

Arne Duncan – U.S. Education Secretary

Neal McCluskey – Author, “Feds in the Classroom”

NBC – SCHOOL & EDUCATION ISSUES JULY

TODAY

Tuesday, 7/24 1 PM

Today looks at dorm room survival.

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8/1/12, 5 / 6 PM 12 MID,

Wednesday

Jen Johnson / Marty Radovanic

JTOWN GRANT

The Greater Johnstown Middle School will be receiving a one million dollar grant to make improvements after performed poorly in state assessments. With school funding cuts, some say the grant is rewarding bad performance, but the principal and staff must undergo some rigorous training.

:35 – VO

8/6/12, 5 / 6 PM , 12 MIDNIGHT

Monday

Maria Miller

LOCKER ROOM HOLE

Police have launched an investigation at Central Cambria High School after the discovery of a hole that looks into the girls' locker room. It's not clear that the hole involves criminal activity, but it seems the district was not very forthcoming with info to parents until WJAC got involved. Maria Miller reports.

1:20 – Package

Vincent Dileo – Central Cambria Superintendent

Adrienne Dodson – 2010 Central Cambria Grad

8/7/12, 5 PM ,

Tuesday

Maria Miller

LOCKER ROOM HOLE

While the superintendent in Centre County did not think a whole in a locker room whale was much cause for concern, local police have launched an investigation.

1:06 – Package

Vincent Dileo – Central Cambria

8/10/12, 5 / 6 / PM, / 12 MIDNIGHT

Friday

Maria Miller

YELLS AT KIDS

A local bus driver has been fired after lashing out at a busload of kids. But the driver says it has been a struggle to keep the kids under control. Maria Miller talked with the bus company and the school district who say there are no second chances when it comes to taking care of their students.

1:27 – Package

Dennis Brant – Terminated bus driver

8/13/12, 6 PM,

Monday

Maria Miller

LOCKER ROOM HOLE

The Central Cambria School Board is set to meet tonight, and parents want answers about holes in the lockers of a girl's changing room. Maria Miller reports that parents are angry the board didn't let them know at the onset.

1:10 – Package

Vincent Dileo – Central Cambria Superintendent

8/13/12, 11 PM,

Monday

Maria Miller

LOCKER ROOM HOLE MEETING

At the Central Cambria board meeting tonight, the holes in the locker room issue was referenced only briefly at the beginning of the meeting in regards to janitors checking for more holes and finding none. Then it was on to other business. Surprisingly, only 30 citizens were in attendance at the short meeting. Maria Miller reports.

1:35 – Package

Vincent Dileo – Central Cambria Superintendent

Tim Yarnish – Concerned citizen

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8/13/12, 11 PM, Monday Marty Radovanic

JARI / UPJ PARTNERSHIP

The Johnstown Area Regional Industries and Pitt Johnstown has former a partnership that both say will help students meet the challenges of working in a real world.

:57 – VO/SOT

Dr. Jem Spectar – President, Pitt-Johnstown

Linda Thomson – President, JARI

8/17/12, 5:30 PM Friday John Lisk

COLLEGE VACCINES

Parents and students are scrambling to get ready for school. Students bound for college are reminded to get their vaccines up to date. John Lisk reports.

1:22 – Package

Dr. Maureen Olson – Georgia Institute of Technology

Gracen Gilmore – College Freshman

8/20/12, 5:30 PM, Monday Bob Hansen

CREDIT OR DEBIT

One of the biggest fears for parents as they send their children off to school is how they will deal with balancing their budget. Parents wonder if they should give their kids a credit or debit card. Bob Hansen has an answer.

2”10 – Package

Ryan Quackenbush – College student

Gary Quackenbush – Father

Nathan Schmidt – Credit Union spokesperson

8/20/12, 11 PM, Monday Rich Wisniewski

BVILL TRANSIT BATTLE

Parents in the Brookville School District turned out tonight for a school board meeting to express their concerns about cutting the van transportation for those who live on back roads. Now some kids will need to walk a mile and a half to their bus stops. Rich Wisniewski reports.

1:32 – Package

Brandi Sheley – Parent

Jennifer Fitzgerald – Parent

8/23/12, 5:30 PM, Thursday Jen Johnson

RENTERS INSURANCE

If you are sending a kid to college, you may want to talk with them about renter's insurance. If they're living off campus, they may need it.

:48 – VO/SOT

Pete Moraga – Insurance Information Network

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: SCHOOL & EDUCATION ISSUES AUGUST

8/24/12, 5 / 6 PM , Friday Lindsay Ward

PROPERTY OWNERS WANT TO MOVE DISTRICTS

A community in Somerset County is petitioning to change school districts. The residents of Pheasant Run are trying to move from the Somerset Area School District to the Rockwood District. Lindsay Ward reports.

1:15 – Package

8/24/12, 5:30 PM , Friday Renee Tessman

SCHOOL LUNCH CHANGES

When students head back to class, they will notice some changes in the cafeteria. Meals will be healthier, thanks to new USDA standards that put more fruits and vegetables on lunch trays. Renee Tessman reports.

1:10 – Package

Roxanne Williams – Food Services Director

Audrey Rowe – USDA Food and Nutrition Service

Julie Pettes – Parent

8/29/12, 5 / 6 / 11 / PM , Wednesday Jen Johnson & Marty Radovanic

DAYCARE SET TO REOPEN

A daycare center that was closed down after a toddler had wandered away is set to reopen after agreeing to a long list of conditional changes.

:46 – VO/SOT

Deacon Ann Staples – Coal Country Daycare

8/29/12, 5 / 6 / 11 / PM , Wednesday Maria Miller

SCHOOLBOARD MEMBER ARRESTED

A Conemaugh Township school board member is facing felony charges of having inappropriate contact with a child. Police say Brian Eppley also served as a deacon at a local church where he met the alleged victim. Maria Miller reports.

1:20 – Package

Det. Michael Popma – Conemaugh Twp. Police

8/29/12, 5 PM , Wednesday Lindsay Ward

TFOOT BUS RIDES

Two school districts, once rivals, are now working together. Student athletes from Turkeyfoot Area Schools are getting bus rides to games and practices from the Rockwood School District. Lindsay Ward reports on how this is all working to help the students.

1:14 – Package

Mark Bower – Rockwood Area School Superintendent

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8/29/12, 5 PM, Wednesday Jacqueline Fell

SCHOOL LUNCH CHANGES

New federal standards are in effect for school lunches, and that means more whole grains, fresh fruits, and vegetables. Jacqueline Fell reports on how students feel about it.

1:35 – Package

Ella – 6 years old

Lisa Dobbs – Chef

Jasmine – 7 years old

8/30/12, 5:30 PM, Thursday Brittany Boyer

CLFD SCHOOL CHANGES

A 36 million dollar renovation project is underway at the Clearfield Area High School. School officials say this is the first renovation project since the 1970's. They are hoping this project and other changes will bring students back to the area. They have seen declining enrollment. Brittany Boyer reports.

1:30 – Package

Dr. Thomas Otto – Superintendent

8/30/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Thursday Maria Miller

EPPLEY CHILD ASSAULT

The investigation into a Conemaugh Township School Board member accused of assaulting a young boy is widening. We learn there are more children involved. It turns out, the church where he was a deacon has played a major role in the investigation. Maria Miller reports.

1:36 – Package

Lisa Lazzari-Strasler – Somerset County District Attorney

Rev. Guy Myers – Maple Spring Church of the Brethren

NBC - EDUCATION ISSUES AUGUST

TODAY

Monday, 8/20 9 AM

Today looks at emotional preparation for your child for college.

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9/4/12, 5:30 / 6 PM, Tuesday Lindsay Ward

ST. BENEDICT ANTI-BULLY

A strong message was delivered this morning at St. Benedict's School that bullying will not be tolerated. The speaker used his strength to prove to students they can overcome anything. Lindsay Ward reports.

1:21 – Package

Jon Pritikin – Anti-Bullying speaker

Maura Herbick – 8th Grade

George Nace – St. Benedict School Principal

9/6/12, 11 PM, Thursday Rich Wisniewski

BROOKVILLE DRUGS

Marijuana use among adolescents is on the rise since the mid 2000's. How does a school deal with trying to control a drug problem? Rich Wisniewski reports.

1:35 – Package

Ruthanna Barbazzeni – Brookville Assistant Principal

Andrea Blair – Parent

9/10/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Monday Maria Miller

SNAKE IN SCHOOL

Kindergarteners at Northern Cambria had an unexpected guest in their classroom, a snake was seen slithering in the classroom. Maria Miller reports that while the snake was not caught, every precaution was taken.

1:17 – Package

Dr. John A Jubas – Northern Cambria Superintendent

9/17/12, 11 PM, Monday Marty Radovanic

JTOWN TEACHER CONTRACT

The Greater Johnstown School District and the teachers' union reached an agreement on a new contract. The district says the three year deal assures property owners that they will not face a property tax increase over the life of the deal.

1:07 – VO/SOT

Gerald Zahorchak – Greater Johnstown Superintendent

Michael Silk – Education Association President

9/18/12, 5 / 11 PM, Tuesday Gary Sinderson

STATE POLICE LOSING PERSONNEL

The PA State Police will hold off on closing the Philipsburg barracks, but there is still concern about having enough police on the street. Gary Sinderson reports that retirees still outnumber new hires.

1:05 – Package

Joe Kovel – Pres. PA State Trooper Association

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9/20/12, 5:30 PM, Thursday Kerry Sanders

SHADOW SCHOLAR

While most high school and college students work hard to get good grades, they sometimes look for a little help and end up cheating. A new book exposes just how easy it is. Kerry Sanders reports.

3:00 – Package

Dave Tomar – Author

9/21/12, 6 PM, Friday Brittany Boyer

BROCKWAY COM COLLEGE

Construction is underway for a multimillion dollar arts and technology center in Jefferson County. Brittany Boyer reports that the facility is important to assist those in rural areas get the education they need.

1:07 – Package

Sen. Joe Scarnati – (R) 25th District

9/21/12, 5:30 PM, Friday Rod Carter

ALL BOYS SCHOOL

Some folks believe that boys and girls learn differently. A school district is putting the theory to the test by creating separate middle schools for boys and girls. Rod Carter reports.

1:44 – Package

Louis Saint – Student

Jeannie Boatwright – Mother of student

Elijah Tod – Student

Rachael Sifer – Language Arts teacher

Kieran Hewitt – Student

Jahre Lucas – Student

9/24/12, 5:30 / 11 PM, Monday Marty Radovanic

JTOWN BULLYING

The ACRP says it is taking a video of possible bullying on the school bus very serious. In the video, a child is being hit by another student.

:35 – VO

9/24/12, 5:30 PM, Monday Erika Edwards

ATHLETIC TRAINERS

Thanks to a dramatic shift in sports culture, many student athletes are no longer “playing through the pain.” They have learned to take injuries seriously, and that has led to the growing popularity of hiring athletic trainers in high school. Erika Edwards reports.

1:51 – Package

Erin Carlson – Certified Athletic Trainer

Jon Almquist – Certified Athletic Trainer

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9/25/12, 5:30 PM, Tuesday Elizabeth Fields

CELL PHONES IN CLASSES

In one school students are able to bring their cell phones to class and learn in new ways. Elizabeth Fields reports.

1:22 – Package

Marina Burchett – English teacher

Jim Whitaker – teacher

9/27/12, 5:30 PM, Thursday Brad Drazen

VIRTUAL LEARNING

With the help of today's technology, one of the best ways to expand learning possibilities is to go virtual, with on-line learning. Brad Dazen reports that it opens opportunities for students that don't exist otherwise.

1:40 – Package

Molly Zepp – Senior

Jack Rua – Teacher

Shannon Lusk – High School Senior

9/28/12, 5 / 6 PM, Friday Brittany Boyer

BROOKVILLE LUNCH COMPLAINT

Rumors are swirling about Brookville School District charging students for napkins, ketchup, even extra spoons for lunch. While we found that not to be true, it turns out there are more serious complaints about the quality of the food. Brittany Boyer reports.

1:00 – Package

NBC – EDUCATION ISSUESSEPTEMBER

TODAY

Thursday, 9/13 8 AM

Today examines the gatekeepers: inside the admission process of a premier college.

TODAY

Friday, 9/14 1 PM

Today looks at the best apps for helping your kids with school work.

NBC Nightly News

Tuesday, 9/25 6:30 PM

President Obama and Presidential candidate Mitt Romney give their opinions on how to address the problems in public education.

Rock Center with Brian Williams

Thursday, 9/27 10 PM

As part of NBC News' Education Nation initiative, Brian Williams looks at a provocative new approach called GRIT, which emphasizes character as much as academic achievement. Proponents say children must learn from their failures as well as their successes, and that parents and teachers need to get AWAY from the belief that all our kids should get trophies.

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: PENN STATE & SANDUSKY SEX SCANDAL ISSUES JULY

7/2/12, 5 PM, Monday Gary Sinderson

PSU FUNDING

The budget just passed for Penn State included more money than was originally provided. But the Sandusky scandal is still a factor for legislators, and a question about how it was handled by the Attorney General's office. Gary Sinderson reports.

1:30 – Package

Rep. Scott Conklin – (D) Centre County

7/2/12, 11 PM, Monday Gary Sinderson

PSU EMAIL

The fallout continues from the leaked emails reportedly connecting Joe Paterno to the discussion and decision not to report allegations about Jerry Sandusky a decade ago.

1:45 – Package

Franco Harris – Former PSU Running Back

7/3/12, 5:30 / 11 PM, Tuesday Gary Sinderson

FREEH COMMISSION INTERVIEWS OVER

The long-awaited Freeh Commission report on the Sandusky scandal and Penn State's involvement is nearly The NCAA is also observing the investigation, which has given rise to speculation that sanctions are coming against Penn State. Gary Sinderson reports.

1:02 – Package

Ken Frazier – Penn State trustee

7/3/12, 5:30 / 11 PM, Tuesday Bill Brown

PSU DEATH PENALTY

With details of the Freeh report leaking out slowly to the media, pressure is building on the NCAA to impose the death penalty on the Penn State football program. Bill Brown reports that the economic impact of that kind of punishment would be huge for Penn State and all of Happy Valley.

2:02 – Package

Don Bowers – Penn State fan

7/4/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Wednesday Bill Wadell

FREEH COMMISSION / WAITING

Some of the recommendations from the Freeh Commission investigation at Penn State have already been implemented. Those suggestions include the monitoring of children on campus.

:47 – VO/SOT

Bob McCool – Parade Hero

Ken Frazier – Penn State trustee

7/9/12, 5 / 11 PM, Monday Marty Radovanic

FREEH LEAKS

Details from the Freeh Report have leaked out to national media, including emails that indicate Joe Paterno was part of the coverup. Governor Corbett says he is not happy.

1:02 – VO/SOT

Gov. Tom Corbett – (R) PA Governor

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: PENN STATE & SANDUSKY SEX SCANDAL ISSUES JULY

7/10/12, 6 PM, Tuesday Gary Sinderson

SANDUSKY COURT COSTS

The price tag for the Sandusky trial is still being tabulated. So far, \$1300 has been approved by commissioners for the sequestering of the jury. Gary Sinderson reports.

:47 – Package

Tim Boyde – Centre County Administrator

7/11/12, 11 PM, Wednesday Marty Radovanic

MARRONE REAX

With the release tomorrow of the Freehe Report, sources say it is not favorable for Joe Paterno. But he still has defenders. Former football players are still testifying of the positive impact of Joe Pa on their lives.

1:08 – VO/SOT

Christian Marrone – Penn State '97

7/11/12, 5 PM, Wednesday Gary Sinderson

SPECIAL INVEST COMM

The Freeh Commission is expected to focus on the relationship between Penn State's administration and the athletic department. They looked at an incident involving football players in 2007 that sparked a study of the university code of conduct. Gary Sinderson reports.

1:45 – Package

7/11/12, 6 / 11 PM, Wednesday Bill Wadell

FREEH RELEASE / CURLEY SCHULTZ

When the Freeh Report is released tomorrow, the trustees will read it hundreds of miles away in Scranton, PA. Then focus will shift to the investigation of former athletic director Tim Curley and former vice president Gary Schultz, both charged with lying to the Grand Jury. Bill Wadell reports.

:59 – Package

Kristen Houser – PA Coalition Against Rape

Caroline Roberto – Curley's Lawyer

7/12/12, 9:51 am – 10:48 am & 3:29 – 4:02 pm Thursday WJAC News

FREEH REPORT & BOARD OF TRUSTEES PRESS CONFERENCE

WJAC-TV provided live coverage of the release of the Freeh Report and a press conference held by Louis Freeh, the lead investigator. Then, in the afternoon, WJAC provided live coverage of a press conference held by the Penn State Board of Trustees with reaction to the findings of that report.

56:34 – Live

30:15 – Live

7/12/12, 5 / 6 PM, Thursday Gary Sinderson

FREEH REPORT RELEASED

The Freeh report says Joe Paterno was one of four top Penn State administrators who covered up the Sandusky scandal and showed no concern for the victims. Gary Sinderson reports.

3:00 – Live and Package

Louis Freeh – Former FBI Director and Lead Investigator

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: PENN STATE & SANDUSKY SEX SCANDAL ISSUES JULY

7/12/12, 5 / 6 PM,

Thursday

Bill Brown

MERRONE REAX

Past Penn State football players say that, despite the Freeh Report, Paterno will always mean a lot to them. They believe Penn Staters should rally around the new coach.

2:45 – Package

Christian Marrone – Former PSA Player

7/12/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM,

Thursday

Bill Wadell

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REACTION

The Penn State Board of Trustees faced the criticism from the Freeh Report head-on, admitting fault and promising change. But that doesn't include any resignations. Bill Wadell also asked what will happen to the on-campus tributes to Joe Paterno.

1:20 – Package

Karen Peetz – PSU Trustee Chairperson

Kenneth Frazier – Chair, Special Investigation Task Force

Anthony Lubrano – Penn State trustee

Rodney Erickson – Penn State President

7/12/12, 5:30 / 11 PM,

Thursday

Scott MacFarlane

PENN STATE FUNDING

Penn State may be losing a significant amount of Federal funding due to the Clery Act that requires crime on campus to be reported to the surrounding community. The university violated that act in a big way with the Sandusky cover-up according to the Freeh Report. That could lead to a massive financial penalty. Scott MacFarlane reports.

1:26 – Package

Alison Kiss – Clery Center for Security on Campus

7/12/12, 5 / 11 PM,

Thursday

Jen Johnson & Marty Radovanic

PATERNO FAMILY REAX

Joe Paterno's legacy is undoubtedly changed after the release of today's report. But his family says it is not fair to make that kind of judgment and forget the years of exemplary service.

:49 – VO/SOT

Jay Paterno – Son

7/12/12, 6 PM,

Thursday

Jen Johnson

CORBETT RESPONSE

Governor Tom Corbett is declining comment on the Freeh Report, but is defending the investigation, saying a monster is off the street.

:32 – VO/SOT

Tom Corbett – (R) Governor

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: PENN STATE & SANDUSKY SEX SCANDAL ISSUES JULY

7/13/12, 5:30 PM, Friday Bill Wadell

RAPE COALITION

Although the Freeh Report is very important, advocates for preventing child abuse hope it doesn't distract attention from that issue or the suffering of the victims. Bill Wadell reports.

1:15 – Package

Anne Ard – Centre County Women's Resource Center

Louis Freeh – Former FBI Director

7/13/12, 6 PM, Friday Bill Wadell

PATERNO TOWN REAX

The Freeh Report comes out as tens of thousands of alumni and visitors are pouring into Happy Valley for Arts Fest. As vendors watch, they wonder if Joe Paterno merchandise is going to sell and how it all will affect business. Bill Wadell reports.

1:00 – Package

Caroline Gummo – The Family Clothesline

Joe McCullough – Visiting from Bloomsburg

7/13/12, 5 / 11 PM, Friday Scott MacFarlane

ABUSE LAW REPORT

In the days after Jerry Sandusky's arrest, Washington promised action, new laws to prevent this from ever happening again. But in the months since that promise, little has been done. Scott MacFarlane reports.

1:20 – Package

Sen. Bob Casey – (D) Pennsylvania

Rutledge Hutson – Center for Law & Social Policy

7/13/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Friday Gary Sinderson

PATERNO STATUE

Even the most loyal of Penn State faithfuls have mixed emotions about Joe Paterno after the Freeh Report. So will his statue remain? Gary Sinderson reports.

1:09 – Package

Simon Bredenberg – Visiting from Canada

Jerry Clunan – Lancaster

George Reese – Carlisle

7/13/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Friday Gary Sinderson

PATERNO MURAL

An artist who included Joe Paterno in his well-known downtown artwork says he'll make some changes eventually. But Paterno will stay because he is a big part of Penn State history. Gary Sinderson reports.

:58 – Package

Michael Pilato – Mural Artist

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7/13/12, 5 PM, Friday Bill Brown

BURKHART

The men who played for Joe Paterno are still shocked and saddened by the Freeh Report. Chuck Burkhart, the quarterback on the 1986 team believes now is not the time to point blame. Bill Brown spoke with him.

1:36 – Package

Chuck Burkhart – Paterno player

7/13/12, 6 / 11 PM, Friday Jen Johnson & Marty Radovanic

CAMPBELL REAX

Many of Paterno's players are having a difficult time believing that their former coach would have ignored child abuse.

:50 – VO/SOT

Bob Campbell – 1960's Penn State player

7/16/12, 5 PM, Monday Jen Johnson

PATERNO INVEST

Joe Paterno's family says it is extremely upset with the Freeh report, so they are instructing their attorneys to conduct their own investigation.

:55 – VO

7/16/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Monday Gary Sinderson

ARTIST RAISING AWARENESS

Over the weekend, Joe Paterno lost his halo on the famous mural in State College. Also, a set of handprints were added from a young sex abuse victim. Gary Sinderson reports that the artist wants to raise both education and awareness about such abuse.

1:22 – Package

Michael Pilato – Mural artist

Andrea Boyles – Youth Service Bureau

7/17/12, 6 / 11 PM, Tuesday Gary Sinderson

ERICKSON INTERVIEW

The President of Penn State talked with Gary Sinderson about the Freeh Report and its impact on the Athletic Department.

1:49 – Package

Dr. Rodney Erickson – Penn State President

7/17/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Tuesday Jen Johnson

NAME CHANGE

The first fixture at the University Park campus to change its name from that of its late coach is Paternoville. It is now Nittanyville. Students from the organization say times have changed.

:51 – VO/SOT

Jeffrey Lowe – Vice President, Nittanyville

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7/18/12, 5 PM, Wednesday Jen Johnson

AG REVIEW

A request to have Federal authorities review the handling of the Jerry Sandusky investigation by the Attorney General's office is moving ahead in the state legislature.

:47 – VO/SOT

Rep. Scott Conklin – Centre County

7/19/12, 11 PM, Thursday Jen Johnson

GARBAN RESIGNS

There's a big shake-up on the Penn State campus tonight. The former chairman of the Board of Trustees has resigned.

:26 – VO

7/19/12, 11 PM, Thursday Melanie Gillespie

PSU FOOTBALL HEALING

People across the country are watching to see how Penn State will emerge from this scandal. Melanie Gillespie reports on how football could be part of the healing process.

1:54 – Package

Nick Saban – Alabama Head Coach

Steve Spurrier – South Carolina Head Coach

7/19/12, 5 PM, Thursday Gary Sinderson

SECOND MILE FILE

A group wanting to bail out the Second Mile is facing challenges in court as Sandusky victims move to block the transfer. Gary Sinderson reports.

1:05 – Package

Gov. Tom Corbett – November 2011

7/19/12, 6 PM, Thursday Jen Johnson

CORBETT ON FREEH

Governor Corbett addressed the Freeh Report today. While he said he has not completed reading the report, he did stress that the problem came from the university leaders and should not take away from the overall quality of the institution.

:37 – VO/SOT

Gov. Tom Corbett – (R) PA

7/19/12, 5 PM, Thursday Jen Johnson

PATERNO CARTOON

Paterno's role in the scandal cover-up at Penn State is still being debated, but an artist who drew a much-loved obituary cartoon is drawing criticism for changing it.

:32 – VO

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: PENN STATE & SANDUSKY SEX SCANDAL ISSUES JULY

7/19/12, 6 PM, Thursday Gary Sinderson

SANDUSKY COURT COSTS

Centre County administrators say the state will help pay for the Sandusky trial. But the total bill will still not be known for some time.

:45 – Package

7/20/12, 5 PM, Friday Jen Johnson

US DEPT. OF EDUCATION PSU INVESTIGATION

Yet another probe, a potentially devastating one into Penn State is going on. The US Department of Education is looking to determine if there were violations of the Clery Act. PSU may face a massive fine and loss of federal funding.

:50 – VO/SOT

Arne Duncan – U.S. Education Secretary

7/20/12, 6 / 11 PM, Friday Gary Sinderson

JOEPA STATUE DEBATE

The monument that once represented greatness at Penn State is now a lightning rod for fallout from the Sandusky sex scandal. There are rumors the statue is coming down, but officials say there is no decision yet. Franco Harris continues to defend the statue.

:54 – Package

Brian Cronauer – Penn State student

Dorothy Martz – Danville, PA

Franco Harris – Alumni

7/23/12, 8:56 am – 9:46 am Monday WJAC News

NCAA SANCTIONS AGAINST PENN STATE

WJAC-TV provided live coverage of the press conference by NCAA officials regarding sanctions against Penn State University for administrative inaction in the actions of Coach Jerry Sandusky. Those sanctions included invalidating wins by the football team during the sexual abuse, a fine, the loss of bowl participation for four years and the loss of scholarships.

50:00 – Live

Mark Emmert – NCAA President

7/23/12, 5 / 11 PM, Monday Gary Sinderson

ECONOMIC IMPACT

The economic impact on the State College community from the NCAA sanctions will be huge. It has business owners lashing out against the Penn State board for accepting the sanctions. Gary Sinderson reports.

1:18 – Package

Dr. Rodney Erickson – Penn State President

Kaitlyn Smith – Ye Olde College Diner

Mark Brennan – Fight On State

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7/23/12, 5 PM, Monday Marty Radovanic

BIG 10 RULES

The Big Ten also slammed Penn State with its own sanctions this morning.

:35 – VO/SOT

Sally Mason – Chairman of Big Ten Council of Presidents

7/23/12, 5 / 6 PM, Monday Gary Sinderson

MARRONE REAX

Some of those who played for Joe Paterno are outraged at the penalties from the NCAA. They say they go too far.

:47 – VO/SOT

Christian Marrone – 1997 graduate

7/23/12, 5:30 PM, Monday Bill Wadell

FINE FOR ABUSE PREVENTION

The 60 million dollar fine from the NCAA is right on par with the revenue that the football pulss in every season.

Bill Wadell explains how the money will be put to use in external programs preventing child abuse and assist victims in other cases.

:55 – Package

Kristen Houser - PA Coalition Against Rape

7/23/12, 6 PM, Monday Gary Sinderson

SAVE THE STATUE

The Joe Paterno statue was removed on Sunday. But according to court documents, a prominent State College businessman filed an injunction last Friday, saying he was one of the donors to the statue and asking a judge to block the removal. Gary Sinderson reports.

:35 – Package

7/23/12, 11 PM, Monday Marty Radovanic

PLAYER REAX

We have more on reaction to the sanctions against Penn State from former players.

:30 – VO/SOT

Matt Hahn – Former Penn State running back

7/23/12, 11 PM, Monday Marty Radovanic

VICTIM ATTORNEY REAX

Attorneys for the victims of Jerry Sandusky says that the sanctions against Penn State do not undo the abuse the victims went through or the harm to them.

:45 – VO/SOT

Matt Casey – Attorney for Victims 3, 7, 10

Joel Feller – Attorney for Victims 3, 7, 10

Kristen Houser – PA Coalition Against Rape

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7/23/12, 6 PM, Monday Bill Wadell

PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS UNCERTAIN

Bill Wadell caught up with some prospective students who are having second thoughts about Penn State.

:50 – Package

Kayla Foster – Interested in Pre-Med Program

Charles Bonar – Interested in Biology Program

7/23/12, 11 PM, Monday Rich Wisniewski

CLEARFIELD PSU REAX

What happened in State College did not just put a somber mood in that community. Many people across the state are hurting. Rich Wisniewski reports on how fans in Clearfield are handling the news.

1:22 – Package

Fred Rayburn – Clearfield resident

Dick Rowles – Clearfield resident

7/24/12, 5 PM, Tuesday Jen Johnson

O'BRIEN REAX

Nittany Lion head coach Bill O'Brien says he hopes his players tough out the adversity and remain dedicated to the school and team.

:44 – VO/SOT

Bill O'Brien – Head football coach

7/24/12, 5 / 11 PM, Tuesday Bill Wadell

STRUGGLING TO FIND UNITY

Students and faculty at Penn State say they are caught in the middle of the heated debate over scandal and sanctions. They want everyone to remember that there is a lot of good things going on at the university besides football. Bill Wadell reports.

“42 – Package

Mark Katsouros – PSU Internet Technology

7/24/12, & 7/25/12 11 PM, & 5 PM Tuesday & Friday Marty Radovanic & Jen Johnson

ALUMNI HIRE FIRM TO INVESTIGATE

One day before the NCAA sanctions came down, a law firm representing a group of Penn State alumni and fans contacted the NCAA, saying they hired a law firm to investigate the findings of the Freeh Report.

:25 – VO

7/24/12, 6 / 11 PM, Tuesday Marty Radovanic

BLAIR SANCTIONS CONCERNS

Business and local leaders have major concerns about the economic hit our area could take because of the NCAA sanctions. Blair County commissioners say hotels and restaurants in Altoona may suffer.

:41 – VO/SOT

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7/25/12, 11 PM, Wednesday Jen Johnson

ERICKSON AUTHORIZING SANCTIONS

Several Penn State board members met privately while others were there via phone to determine if Pres. Erickson had the authority to agree to sanctions. They found out Penn State was faced with a four-year ban on football otherwise.

:56 – VO

7/25/12, 5 / 6 PM, Wednesday Gary Sinderson

PSU PLAYERS SPEAK

About 30 members of the Penn State football team gathered this morning, saying they are not leaving and will be ready to play on September 1st. Gary Sinderson reports.

1:06 – Package

Bill O'Brien – Head Football Coach

Michael Zordich – Penn State Running Back

7/26/12, 11 PM, Thursday Marty Radovanic

NCAA SANCTIONS / VICTIM TRIBUTE

A victims advocate group is calling for a permanent tribute to victims of the Sandusky scandal to be built on the spot where the Paterno statue stood. They are also saying NCAA sanctions were too lenient.

:50 – VO/SOT

Dr. Robert Hoatson – Road to Recovery Charity

7/26/12, 5 PM, Thursday Gary Sinderson

PSU MOOD IN HARRISBURG

After this week, how much support can Penn State count on in the state legislature? Their state funding is already being cut. Gary Sinderson reports.

1:18 – Package

Rep. Kerry Benninghoff – (R) Centre Co.

Rep. Scott Conklin – (D) Centre County

7/26/12, 5 / 11 PM, Thursday Marty Radovanic

VICTIM 2

A law firm in Philadelphia claims that they have now found and are representing Victim # 2 from the Sandusky shower incident. They shared voicemails that they claims substantiates his identity.

:59 – VO

7/27/12, 6 PM / 12 MID, Friday Brittany Boyer

UNIFORM CHANGE

Penn State football coach Bill O'Brien thinks the NCAA could revisit and even reduce sanctions if Penn State complies with corrective action. In the meantime, he is exploring some changes to the team uniforms.

:35 – VO

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7/27/12, 12 MID, Friday Jen Johnson

ALUMNI UNITY

Today the Penn State Alumni Association sent out an email urging alumni to stand together in the wake of the scandal and donate to organizations fighting child abuse.

:34 – VO

7/31/12, 5:30 PM / 12 MID, Tuesday Bill Wadell

RISE & RALLY

Before dawn, thousands of die-hard Penn State fans flooded parking lots and practice fields outside the Lasch Building and Haluba Hall. They wanted to show their support for the football team that has been sanctioned by the NCAA. Bill Wadell reports that the fan base and community face a long road ahead.

1:53 – Package

Keith Conlin – The Good Show, Former PSU player

David Nevins – Nevins Real Estate Management

Tanner Witter – Penn State Dan

Jordan Good – Penn State Fan

Adam Taliaferro – Board of Trustees Member

Anthony Lubrano – Board of Trustees Member

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8/1/12, 5 / PM,

Wednesday

Matt Maisel

PSU DEFECTION

There are at least half a dozen players at Penn State who are jumping ship and heading to other universities to play football this upcoming season. Matt Maisel reports.

:37 – Package

8/2/12, 5 PM,

Thursday

Marty Radovanic

PLAYER DEFECTION

The list of former Penn State football players is growing longer by the day. Today that number climbed to 7. A new poll shows that many Pennsylvanians feel the punishments by the NCAA are too harsh.

:47 – VO & Graphics

8/2/12, 5 PM, / 12 MIDNIGHT

Thursday

Bill Wadell

PATERNO FAITH CENTER

Students returning to campus the end of the month will see a lot of changes. The statue honoring Joe Paterno is gone, but the faith center bearing his wife's name is ready to open its doors.. Bill Wadell reports that many are hopeful this will be a place of healing from the recent hurt and turmoil.

1:38 – Package

Sue Paterno – Center founder

Tony Degol – Diocese of Altoona-Johnstown

Joe Paterno – 2010 Interview

8/3/12, 5 PM,

Friday

Bill Wadell

BLUE OUT

The first pre-season practice for the Nittany Lions is Monday morning. One group of Penn State students want to make sure the world sees the sensitivity and solidarity after the scandal. Bill Wadell reports on a "blue out" being organized.

1:07 – Package

Laura March – Blue Out organizer

8/3/12, 6 PM,

Friday

Bill Wadell

PATERNO FAMILY APPEAL

The Paterno family says they will appeal the unprecedented sanctions from the NCAA. Bill Wadell reports the family attorney sent out the intent to appeal consent decree.

:49 - VO

8/3/12, 12 MIDNIGHT,

Friday

Bill Wadell

NCAA NOT GRANT APPEAL

The NCAA indicates they will not budge on the sanctions levied against Penn State. Their one line statement comes after word of the Paterno appeal.

:42 – VO & Graphics

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8/6/12, 5 / 6 PM , Monday Gary Sinderson

PSU OPEN PRACTICE

A good portion of the healing process at Penn State will be lead by the Nittany Lions. The new head coach says he is working with the team to bring honor back to the blue and white. Gary Sinderson reports on what he told players the first open practice of the season.

:58 – Package

Bill O'Brien – Football Head Coach

8/7/12, 5 PM , Tuesday Marty Radovanic

PENN STATE UNIFORMS

There are big changes coming to the Nittany Lions uniforms. The coach believes it is a way to say thanks.

:47 – Package

Bill O'Brien – Head football coach

8/8/12, 5 / 6 PM 12 MIDNIGHT, Wednesday Bill Wadell

PSU ENDOW

Penn State has been ordered to pay 60 million dollars in fines, part of the punishment for the Sandusky cover-up. Prosecutors from across the state want the fine to go to children's advocacy centers. Bill Wadell reports their argument.

1:28 – Package

Stacy Parks Miller – Centre County District Attorney

Seth Williams – Philadelphia District Attorney

Risa Ferman – Montgomery County District Attorney

Shawn Wagner – Adams County District Attorney

8/9/12, 6 PM / 12 MIDNIGHT, Thursday Gary Sinderson

SAVITZ & SANDUSKY

The Second Mile charity is working to get rid of its assets and close its doors. But Gary Sinderson talks to a Philadelphia man who says the Second Mile provided a network for pedophiles.

1:30 – Package

Greg Bucceroni – Child sex abuse victim

8/9/12, 5:30 PM, Thursday Gary Sinderson

CLERY ACT CONCERNS

If Penn State is found to have violated the Clery Act by the federal government, there could be a huge loss in federal student loan money. Gary Sinderson reports.

1:00 – Package

Congressman Glenn GT Thompson – (R) 5th District

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8/10/12, 5 PM, / 12 MIDNIGHT

Friday

Gary Sinderson

NCAA COMMUNIST SHIRT

Penn State fans continue to express their outrage over the NCAA penalties stemming from the university's handling of the Sandusky scandal. Gary Sinderson reports on a new shirt comparing the NCAA to Communism.

1:03 – Package

Caroline Gummo – The Family Clothes Line

8/13/12, 5:30 PM,

Monday

Gary Sinderson

PSU TRUSTEES & BYLAWS

Penn State's Board of Trustees held a meeting last night but failed to vote on NCAA sanctions. Top state administrators are recommending changes in the trustee organization, but there's a lot of confusion when it comes to the bylaws and changes. Gary Sinderson reports.

:50 – VO

8/14/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM

Tuesday

Gary Sinderson

JAIL BOOK

There is word tonight that Jerry Sandusky is writing a book in jail. Gary Sinderson reports that taxpayers are providing paper and pencil for this endeavor.

:51 – VO

8/14/12, 5:30 / 11 PM

Tuesday

Jen Johnson & Marty Radovanic

PSU UNLIKELY TO LOSE ACCREDITATION

The child sex abuse scandal at Penn State could have a great impact on those who have nothing to do with the case. If the university was to lose its accreditation, students could not use Pell Grants or government loans to attend.

:45 – VO

8/15/12, 6 / 11 PM

Wednesday

Gary Sinderson

SECOND MILE FED INVESTIGATION

There is a growing federal investigation tied to Jerry Sandusky and the Second Mile about possible connections to child pornography. Gary Sinderson reports.

1:02 – Package

Greg Bucceroni – Claims to have met Sandusky

8/16/12, 5 / 6 PM

Thursday

Brittany Boyer

PRE-TRIAL HEARING

Two former Penn State administrators charged with lying to a grand jury and failing to report child abuse were back in court today. Their lawyers argued they were innocent. But legal analysts say that often in these cases, people will take a plea deal. Brittany Boyer reports.

1:38 – Package

Tom Farrell – Gary Schultz's Attorney

Wes Oliver – Legal analyst

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8/17/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM Friday Gary Sinderson

LUBRANO / NCAA SANCTIONS

Anthony Lubrano of the Penn State Board of Trustees is criticizing the NCAA, saying the sanctions could've influenced the removal of the Paterno statue. Gary Sinderson reports.

1:06 – Package

Anthony Lubrano – Penn State Trustee

8/21/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM Tuesday Gary Sinderson

PSU CONFERENCE

One of the lasting impacts of the Sandusky scandal is that it is raising more awareness about child sexual abuse and the extent of the problem. This Fall, Penn State is hosting a national conference on the impact of child sexual abuse. Gary Sinderson reports.

:59 – Package

Kate Staley – PSU Conference Organizer

8/21/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM Tuesday Jen Johnson & Marty Radovanic

PATERNO BOOK

A sports writer who conducted the last interview with Joe Paterno has released a book about the coach. He was with Paterno when the scandal erupted. He believes Paterno was in denial about the extent of the abuse.

:51 – VO/SOT

Joe Posnanski – Author

8/22/12, 5 / 11 PM, Wednesday Marty Radovanic

GRAY LETTER

A letter written by a Penn State professor who also served as Sandusky's graduate assistant was read at a press conference today held by Graham Spanier. The letter, which was addressed to Rodney Erickson and the board of trustees at Penn State, says the man was friends with Coach Paterno. Paterno told him that all he had known was McQueary had seen Sandusky engaged in horseplay with a boy in a shower. He wanted the comments known since Louis Freeh never talked to Joe Paterno.

:45 – VO

8/22/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Wednesday Gary Sinderson

SPANIER PRESSER

Graham Spanier's attorneys call the Freeh Report sloppy and unreliable. At a press conference today, they said they are angry over accusations their client deliberately failed to stop abuse he didn't even know about. Gary Sinderson reports.

1:35 – Package

Tim Lewis – Spanier attorney

Greg Bucceroni 0 Alleged abuse victim

John Riley – Spanier attorney

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8/23/12, 6 / 11 PM ,

Thursday

Gary Sinderson

BUCCERONI INVESTIGATION

Gary Sinderson reports on a federal investigation into reports of a multi-state pedophile ring that may have included Jerry Sandusky. He talks to the Philadelphia man who says he was abused by a man who was good friends with Sandusky.

1:00 – Package

Greg Bucceroni – Alleged victim of abuse

8/24/12, 6 / 11 PM ,

Friday

Gary Sinderson

CASEY ON CLERY ACT

It is going to take years to complete and could involve another costly penalty for Penn State. Gary Sinderson reports on the federal investigation into Clery Act violations at Penn State.

:57 – Package

Sen. Robert Casey – (D) PA

8/27/12, 5 / 11 PM ,

Monday

Scott MacFarlane

PENN STATE INFLUENCE

The eve before the Jerry Sandusky scandal, 6 News discovered Penn State had been handing out millions of dollars to influence and lobby Congress. Now it appears that influence is needed more than ever. Scott MacFarlane reports on if the lobbying practices are continuing.

1:18 – Package

Bill Allison – Sunlight Foundation

8/27/12, 6 / 11 PM ,

Monday

Marty Radovanic

MEDIA BLITZ

Penn State leaders will use this Saturday's football game to kick off a new public relations campaign. It is called the "one hundred face of Penn State" and will tell some positive stories of Penn Staters in the wake of the Sandusky scandal.

:46 – VO/SOT

Richard Edelman – Penn State Public Relations Consultant

8/29/12, 5 / 11 / PM ,

Wednesday

Marty Radovanic

PATERNO BOOK

The author of the book "Paterno" will speak at Penn State next month. While he believes Joe should have done more, he says he was not part of a coverup.

1:01 – VO/SOT

Joe Polanski – author

8/29/12, 11 / PM ,

Wednesday

Rich Wisniewski

PSU RETURNS TROPHIES

The trophies won at bowl games by the Nittany Lions since 1998 have to be returned to the NCAA. Rich Wisniewski reports that many are upset about who this is hurting.

1:36 – Package

Robert Nese – Penn State freshman

Connor Cunningham – Penn State freshman

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8/30/12, 5 / 6 PM ,

Thursday

Bill Wadell

NITTANYVILLE

The Nittany nation is ready to usher in a new era of Penn State football this weekend. It is hoped the first game of the new season will be unifying and healing. Bill Wadell reports.

1:21 – Package

Brad Vasko – Nittanyville organizer

Julia Federici – Penn State sophomore

8/31/12, 5 / 6 PM ,

Friday

Gary Sinderson

PSU MOVING FORWARD

The kickoff of the football season at Penn State brings the university to a crossroad. Some want to move forward and leave the past behind. Others want to remember the past, especially Joe Paterno, the man who spent decades leading the team. Gary Sinderson reports on the controversy.

1:20 – Package

Mark Dambly – Penn State Trustee

Richard Edelman – Penn State Media Consultant

Michael Mauti – Penn State linebacker

Jordan Hill – PSU Defensive Lineman

Adam Kowalski – Penn State Sophomore

Brad Arnard – Been attending PSU Games for 35 years

Mike from North Carolina – Wants a Paterno ceremony

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: PENN STATE & SANDUSKY SEX SCANDAL ISSUES SEPTEMBER

9/3/12, 6 / 11 PM , Monday Gary Sinderson

FRANCO UPDATE

Former alumni were in the stands Saturday for Penn State's opener. Many are still outraged by the NCAA sanctions. Franco Harris wants at least some of the years restored. He plans to talk with every Penn State trustee. Gary Sinderson reports.

1:30 – Package

Franco Harris – Fighting NCAA sanctions

9/6/12, 5 / 11 PM , Thursday Gary Sinderson

AMENDOLA SPEAKS

Jerry Sandusky is preparing for sentencing and for an upcoming appeal. However, it is not yet clear if his attorney Joe Amendola will stay on the case. Gary Sinderson spoke with him.

1:25 – Package

Joe Amendola – Defense attorney

9/7/12, 5:30 PM , Friday Gary Sinderson

PSU TRUSTTES

After months of criticisms, Penn State's board of trustees will open their meetings to public comment. The policy goes in effect next week when a rally is set to protest the trustees' "move on" proclamation. Gary Sinderson reports.

1:23 – Package

9/12/12, 5 PM , Wednesday Lauren Victory

PATERNO SCULPTURE

A Vermont sculptor has a plan for what to do with the Joe Paterno statue – make it part of a tribute to the victims of the Sandusky abuse. Lauren Victory reports.

1:27 – Package

Lawrence Nowlan – Sculptor

9/13/12, 11 PM , Thursday Rich Wisniewski

PSU MERC SALES

Usually Penn State merchandise is flying off the shelf during football season. How is it doing this year? Rich Wisniewski reports it's doing well.

1:23 – Package

Dick Rowles – Play At The Plate Sports Store

9/13/12, 6 PM , Thursday Gary Sinderson

PSU CONSTRUCTION / SANCTION IMPACT

Penn State now admits that campus construction projects are on hold due to the fines the university must pay according to the NCAA sanctions. How do students feel about assuming the burden? Gary Sinderson reports.

1:12 – Package

Zack Weber – Penn State student

Jeff Jezewski – Penn State student

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9/14/12, 5 / 11 PM , Friday Gary Sinderson

TRUSTEES MEETING

The Penn State Board of Trustees met this afternoon and for the first time, opened their meeting up to include a public comment period. But because he failed to pre-register, Franco Harris did not get to address the board. Gary Sinderson reports.

:49 – Package

Franco Harris – Not allowed to speak

9/17/12, 6 / 11 PM , Monday Gary Sinderson

KEEP NCAA FINES IN PA

A legislative leader in the State House is asking the NCAA, "Who is going to decide where Penn State's 60 million dollar fine is spent?" He would like to keep the money in Pennsylvania. Gary Sinderson reports.

:52 – Package

Rep. Scott Conklin – (D) Centre County

9/17/12, 5 PM , Monday Bill Wadell

SANDUSKY SENTENCING

Before Jerry Sandusky is sentenced, it will need to be determined if he is a sexually violent predator. Victims are expected to testify to that issue and Sandusky himself may make a statement. Bill Wadell reports.

:53 – Package

Joe Amendola – Sandusky's attorney

9/18/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM , Tuesday Jen Johnson & Marty Radovanic

NCAA TASKFORCE

The NCAA has formed a 10-panel task force to develop guidelines for how the 60 million dollars in penalty fines from Penn State will be spent. While Penn State had hoped to make that determination and keep the money in the state, they do have several staff members on the board.

:44 – VO

9/20/12, 5 PM , Thursday Gary Sinderson

PS4RS ADVERTISING

A new effort is underway to acknowledge Joe Paterno and his many roles at Penn State. It's a statewide campaign that was revealed today. Gary Sinderson reports it is not what trustees want to see.

1:06 – Package

9/21/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM , Friday Gary Sinderson

SANDUSKY DOCUMENTS

The judge who presided over Sandusky's trial released thousands of pages of documents about the case. Included in the documents which are available to the public are the victim's names. Gary Sinderson reports on why those names have been made public.

:50 – Package

***WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: PENN STATE & SANDUSKY SEX SCANDAL
ISSUES SEPTEMBER***

9/28/12, 5 PM,

Friday

Melanie Gillespie

BUCCERONI DR PHIL

Greg Bucceroni claims that Jerry Sandusky was part of a large pedophile ring and now he has taken his story to a national audience on the Dr. Phil show.

:49 – VO/SOT

Greg Bucceroni – Claims Sandusky involvement with pedophiles

***PENN STATE & SANDUSKY SEX SCANDAL ISSUES
SEPTEMBER***

Dr. Phil **9/25/12**

Host: Dr. Phil McGraw

Dr. Phil talks with a man who says that when he was a child, he was offered money to have sex with the now convicted child molester Jerry Sandusky. He says it was part of a tri-state child porn ring.

Show #: 11036 Syndicator: Kingworld

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: MILITARY & VETERAN'S ISSUES JULY

7/3/12, 6 / 11 PM, Tuesday Melanie Gillespie

PATTON FLAG BURNS

American flags were stolen, set on fire, and destroyed in Patton Borough. Now neighbors are calling it unpatriotic, and veterans say it is insulting to them. Melanie Gillespie reports.

1:00 – Package

Richard Gray – Veteran, Patton

Chief Vincent Leppert – Patton Police

Dan Selfridge – Patton

7/6/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM, Friday Maria Miller

STOLEN VALOR ACT

The Supreme Court struck down the Stolen Valor Act last week, saying that making false claims about military service and awards is not a crime. Maria Miller reports that Congressman Mark Critz is working to change that.

1:10 – Package

John Merx – WWII Veteran

Patrick Kelly – Vietnam Veteran

Rep. Mark Critz – (D) 12th District

7/6/12, 5 PM, Friday Marty Radovanic

WINDBER CAMPAIGN

A project to make the Windber American Legion more accessible to the elderly and handicapped has stalled due to funding problems.

:50 – VO/SOT

Bob Portante – Windber Legion Member

7/10/12, 5 PM, Tuesday Jen Johnson

STOLEN VALOR

Less than two weeks after it was struck down by the Supreme Court, Congress is reworking the Stolen Valor Act. The new version would not make lying a crime, just receiving a benefit as a result of the lie about military service.

:41 – VO/SOT

Mark Donald – Retired Navy Seal

7/10/12, 5 / 6 PM, Tuesday Jen Johnson

VETS CARE COLLECT

Many of our veterans are in need of help. The local Red Cross is rounding up that support, looking for personal care items that are badly needed.

:40 – VO/SOT

Roxanne Berkey – Director, Home Health, Hospice

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JULY***

7/11/12, 5 PM, Wednesday Jen Johnson

VALOR DATA BASE

A new digital database at the Pentagon could prevent people from lying about military awards and medals.

:42 – VO/SOT

Joe Davis – Veterans of Foreign Wars

7/23/12, 11 PM, Monday Melanie Gillespie

WAR MEMORIAL – NAME SPONSOR

The sight of dollar signs is intriguing for those who deal with Johnstown finances. So they are investigating the possibility of selling the naming rights for the War Memorial Arena. Any changes would have to be approved by vets. Melanie Gillespie reports.

1:14 – Package

Dan Gindlesperger – Chairperson, War Memorial Authority

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8/2/12, 5 PM, / 12 MIDNIGHT

Thursday

Alison Burns

MILITARY SEX ASSAULT

A National Guardsman from Cambria County has been ordered to stand trial on charges he raped a fellow soldier. Congress is currently investigating sex abuse scandals in the military, but a group of victims is being left out of testifying. All are victims of sexual assault in the military.

1:49 – Package

Paula Coughlin-Puopolo – Former Navy pilot

Jennifer Norris – Air Force Veteran

Rep. Jackie Speier – (D) California

8/6/12, 5 / 6 PM , 12 MIDNIGHT

Monday

Marty Radovanic & Jen Johnson

SFC VETERAN BOOK

War veterans who suffer from post traumatic stress disorder have an important story to tell. A professor from Saint Francis University want to put those tales in print to put a face on the often misunderstood disorder.

:52 – VO/SOT

Justin Snyder – Asst. Prof. of Sociology

8/8/12, 6 PM ,

Wednesday

Marty Radovanic

TOTES FOR VETS

The American Red Cross and the staff of Windber Medical collected personal care items for veterans in need during the month of July. While we do not see a lot of homeless vets the way you do in big cities, they are there.

“45 – VO/SOT

Colleen Sherman – Executive Director of Keystone Chapter American Red Cross

8/16/12, 5 / 11 PM

Thursday

Scott MacFarlane

WASTED TAX DOLLARS

The government agency in charge of helping injured and needy veterans is accused of squandering its money, your tax money. The US Department of Veteran's Affairs is the latest agency under investigation for spending too much on gifts and lavish conferences. Scott MacFarlane reports.

1:51 – Package

Patrick Bellon – Iraq War Veteran

8/21/12, 5:30 PM

Tuesday

Scott MacFarlane

WASTED MONEY

A new investigation is being conducted into waste of tax money by the government agency in charge of treating injured and sick military veterans. Last week, we reported on the multi-million dollar conference at a posh resort for the Veteran's Affairs Department. Scott MacFarlane reports more controversial revelations on the entertainment have surfaced.

1:51 – Package

Patrick Bellon – Iraq War Veteran

Pett Sepp – National Taxpayers Union

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: MILITARY & VETERAN'S ISSUES SEPTEMBER

9/7/12, 5:30 PM, Friday Scott MacFarlane

WAR DOGS

There is growing concern about the treatment of canine soldiers. Scott MacFarlane reports that charities and animal support groups say life is harder than it should be for dogs on the front lines.

2:02 – Package

Jarred Palmer – Military dog handler

Ron Aiello – Vietnam War Vet

9/14/12, 5 PM, Friday Jen Johnson

VETERANS AND GUNS

Veterans diagnosed with mental impairments could get guns under bills that passed key House and Senate committees this week.

:47 – VO/SOT

Daniel Vice – Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence

9/17/12, 5:30 PM, Monday Erika Edwards

MILITARY SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Alcohol abuse is widespread in the military, and the Department of Defense needs to do a better job helping its service members. That statement came from the Institute of Medicine. Erika Edwards explains what it means.

1:42 – Package

Dr. Dennis McCarthy – Oregon Health & Science University

9/19/12, 5:30 PM, Wednesday Jen Johnson

VFW CLOTHING DRIVE

A project aimed to help homeless vets across the state is underway. It is a collection of winter clothing that will be kept at VFW shelters throughout the state.

:36 – VO/SOT

Larry Wacle – Clothing Drive Coordinator

9/20/12, 5 PM, Thursday Alison Burns

VETERANS WASTE

The Department of Veteran's Affairs is defending some of its extravagant spending. Alison Burns reports on how the VA is explaining its big bills for conferences and events.

1:15 – Package

W. Scott Gould – VA Deputy Director

9/24/12, 11 PM, Monday Marty Radovanic

VETS PLAZA VANDALS

Who would disrespect a brand new memorial that honors men and women who give the ultimate sacrifice? There were footprints and bike tracks all over the Veteran's Wall at Penn State..

:50 – VO/SOT

Carl Chindblon – PSU Student, Veteran

Andrea Knapp – PSU Dear Hero Program V.P.

***WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: MILITARY & VETERAN'S ISSUES
SEPTEMBER***

9/24/12, 5:30 / 11 PM, Monday BilJen Johnson

MILITARY SCHOOL OBESITY

A group of over 300 retired military leaders want junk food out of schools.

:39 – VO/SOT

Gen. Richard B. Myers – US Air Force Ret.

NBC – MILITARY & VETERAN'S ISSUES SEPTEMBER

Rock Center

Thursday, 9/27 10 PM

The Department of Defense estimates a staggering 19,000 soldiers were sexually assaulted in the military last year alone. This is the hidden war the military is battling in its own ranks. Natalie Morales sits down with female soldiers from every branch of the military who say they were raped while serving their country and then retaliated against for coming forward. Secretary of Defense Leon Panetta admits to Morales that this is a pervasive problem, offers an apology to all the victims of sexual assault in the military, and says he's taking action.

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: CONSUMER & HOUSING & BUILDING ISSUES JULY

7/2/12, 5:30 PM, Monday Clark Howard

OVERDRAFT FEE

New studies show that Americans are still paying billions of dollars in overdraft fees, even after new laws made it more difficult for banks to charge them. Clark Howard reports on the tricks banks are using.

1:14 – Package

7/4/12, 5:30 PM, Wednesday Clark Howard

BANK DATA

A new consumer watchdog website is publishing all the complaints they receive about credit card companies. Clark Howard reports on how these websites can help you.

1:35 – Package

Richard Cordray – Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

7/5/12, 5 PM, Thursday Clark Howard

HOTEL WARNING

If you take your computer on vacation, you should be aware of thieves using hot spots to steal your passwords. Clark Howard explains.

:58 – Package

7/6/12, 5:30 PM, Friday Jacqueline Fell

FREE CAR FIXES

Technical Service Bulletins are notices about defects in cars. Jacqueline Fell reports the new transportation bill will give consumers access to this info and make dealerships pay for repairs.

1:05 – Package

Clarence Ditlow – Center for Auto Safety

7/11/12, 5:30 PM, Wednesday Jay Gray

DROUGHT REPORT

A severe drought is taking its toll on more than half the country, crippling farmers and ranchers. Now consumers will feel the effects at the super market. Jay Gray reports.

1:30 – Package

Jake Crouch – NOAA National Climatic Data Center

Karen Haralson – Arkansas Cattle Rancher

7/11/12, 5:30 PM, Wednesday Clark Howard

PRIVATE STUDENT LOANS

While Congress recently extended the interest rate on Federal student loans, Clark Howard reports that if rates rise, private loans may prove to be the way to go.

1:38 – Package

Wade Peterson – Wells Fargo Educational Financial Services

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: CONSUMER & HOUSING & BUILDING ISSUES JULY

7/17/12, 5:30 PM, Tuesday Clark Howard

MORTGAGE REFI

/There are new federal programs to help lower the interest rate on your mortgage. Clark Howard reports on how to check and see if you qualify.

1:21 – Package

7/23/12, 6 PM, Monday Maria Miller

HOUSE DEMOLISHED

A well-known eyesore in Johnstown is on the way down. Chandra Vora's house, usually filled with garbage is being emptied and then demolished. Neighbors couldn't be happier. Maria Miller reports.

1:30 – Package

Donald Michaels – Johnstown Code Supervisor

Ray Gearhart – Lives nearby

Anthony Gergely – Lives nearby

7/24/12, 11 PM, Tuesday Melanie Gillespie

EMPTY AUTHORITY HOUSING

Kernville got a federal grant to build or repair homes, but many of those homes now sit empty. Melanie Gillespie investigates to find out why.

1:45 – Package

Larry Custer – Exec. Director, Cambria County Redevelopment

Clyde Williams – Kernville Homeowner

7/27/12, 5 PM, Friday Clark Howard

GAS MILEAGE

Car dealers are bragging over gas mileage ratings for their new vehicles. But Clark Howard reports those numbers come from highway driving and not city driving.

:57 – VO

***NBC – CONSUMER, HOUSING, & BUILDING ISSUES
JULY***

TODAY

Tuesday, 7/3, 1 PM

Made in America: Today looks at the truth about frozen treats.

TODAY

Wednesday, 7/4, 1 PM

Made in America: Today looks at makeup.

TODAY

Thursday, 7/5, 1 PM

Made in America: Today looks at housewares.

TODAY

Friday, 7/6, 9 AM

Today looks at beauty products that are too good to be true.

Friday, 7/6, 1 PM

Made in America: Today looks at toys.

TODAY

Friday, 7/20, 8 AM

Today looks at sunscreen exaggerations.

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: CONSUMER & HOUSING & BUILDING ISSUES AUGUST

8/1/12, 5:30 PM,

Wednesday

Clark Howard

VIRUS

The number one place to download a virus is now through poisoned search results. Clark Howard explains the new dangers to your computer.

1:42 – Package

Don Jackson – Cybersecurity expert

8/2/12, 5 PM,

Thursday

Marty Radovanic

PA FORECLOSURES

PA homeowners under foreclosure are not taking full advantage of help coming from Washington. Many may be eligible for compensation from a fund for victims of predatory lending, but only 5 per cent are taking advantage of the program.

:32 – VO/SOT

Sen. Bob Casey – (D) PA

8/9/12, 5:30 PM,

Thursday

Jacqueline Fell

FORECLOSURE HELP

Millions of families who lost their homes to foreclosure could be eligible for tens of thousands of dollars. There's a free program where you can see if your mortgage lender owes you money. Jacqueline Fell discovered that a lot of people aren't opting in.

1:35 – Package

Leslie Sharp – Foreclosure victim

Anna Alvarez Boyd – The Federal Reserve

8/9/12, 5:30 PM,

Thursday

Jen Johnson

TRAILER PARK CLOSING

Dozens of residents are told they need to start packing up and looking for a new place to live in State College. The owner of the Penn State Mobile Home Park has sold the land.

:35 – VO/SOT

Michael Pipe – Centre County Commissioner

8/10/12, 5:30 PM, / 12 MIDNIGHT

Friday

Bill Wadell

JEWELRY BUYER CHECKS BOUNCE

A traveling jewelry and precious metal buyer says it was all a mistake. Police say 3500 dollars in checks written in Huntingdon County bounced. Bill Wadell reports.

1:36 – Package

Det. Charles Streightiff – Huntingdon Borough Police

8/16/12, 5:30 / 11 PM

Thursday

Marty Radovanic

BUMBO RECALL

A wildly popular baby seat has been recalled, but you may still find banned "Bumbos" on store shelves.

:44 – VO/SOT

Kim Dulic – Consumer Product Safety Comm.

***WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: CONSUMER & HOUSING & BUILDING
ISSUES AUGUST***

8/23/12, 5:30 PM,

Thursday

Clark Howard

ROBOCALLS

Some telemarketer companies have figured out how to avoid blocked numbers and get their calls to you. Clark Howard reports on what you should do if you are getting their unwanted calls.

1:40 – Package

Fred Baumann – Robocall victim

8/24/12, 5:30 PM,

Friday

Bob Hansen

DROUGHT GROCERIES

The drought in the Midwest may not be in your backyard, but it is being felt in your local grocery store. Food prices are already creeping up, and experts say it is going to get worse. Bob Hansen reports.

1:28 – Package

Eddie Armstrong – Farmer

***NBC – CONSUMER, HOUSING, & BUILDING ISSUES
AUGUST***

Dateline

Sunday, 8/19, 7 PM

Jeff Rossen: Dateline Investigates Air Conditioner Repair Companies & Carnival Games

When your air conditioner breaks in the summer heat, you call a repair company for help. But just how competent and honest are they? Dateline goes undercover, putting A/C repair companies to the test – and even experts are surprised at what hidden cameras discover. Also, trips to the carnival are fun for the whole family, but ever wonder why some of those popular games are so hard to win? Dateline's hidden cameras expose the secrets. Some games are rigged for you to lose and Dateline looks at ow exactly they do it.

TODAY

Tuesday, 8/21, 8 AM

Today looks at how new smart cars avoid crashes.

Tuesday, 8/21, 9 AM

Today examines school backpacks.

TODAY

Monday, 8/27 8 AM

Today looks at 20 ways you're overspending at the supermarket.

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: CONSUMER & HOUSING & BUILDING ISSUES SEPTEMBER

9/3/12, 6 / 11 PM , Monday Bill Wadell

HILLTOP TRAILER PARK CLOSING

For the second time this summer, more than a hundred residents of a State College trailer park are being forced to move. Once again, the property is being redeveloped. Bill Wadell reports that the housing crisis in State College continues to get worse.

1:26 – Package

Scott Ames – Hilltop Resident

Congressman Glenn Thompson – (R) 5th District

Rep. Scott Conklin – (D) 77th District

9/5/12, 5 / 6/ 11:30 PM , Wednesday Gary Sinderson

MOBILE HOME PARKS CLOSING

With the closing of two mobile home parks in State College, over 200 residents are looking for a place to live. Gary Sinderson reports that the housing officials are telling those residents to use the help available.

1:20 – Package

Ron Quin – Director of Housing Transitions

9/11/12, 5:30 PM , Tuesday Kerry Sanders

IPHONE ID THEFT

There is a warning today for iphone and ipad users if you thought your device was safe from hackers. A flaw could put your private information at risk. Kerry Sanders reports.

2:04 – Package

Bob Sullivan – NBCNews.com

Christine Montano – iphone owner

Paul DeHart – CEO, Bluetoad.com

David Schuetz – Intrepidus Group

9/6/12, 6 PM , Thursday Bill Wadell

PUMP PRICES

Prices at the pump have been climbing around our area, many flirting with the \$4.00 mark. Bill Wadell reports that they won't be falling anytime soon.

:53 – Package

Anne Steele – Visiting from Maryland

9/14/12, 5:30 PM , Friday Kristen Dahlgren

IPHONE CONNECTORS

There's a new feature on the new iphone that has a lot of people upset. Millions of people have to get a special adapter for their connector. Kristen Dahlgren reports.

1:25 – Package

Wilson Rothman – NBCNEWS.com

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: CONSUMER & HOUSING & BUILDING ISSUES SEPTEMBER

9/18/12, 5:30 PM, Tuesday Liz Crenshaw

DOORSTEP SURPRISES

Online memberships for everyday perks has become a pleasant surprise for consumers. Liz Crenshaw reports on the latest retail craze.

2:14 – Package

Kathryn Cole – Doorstep Services customer

Amna Kirmani – Marketing Professor

9/19/12, 5:30 PM, Wednesday Clark Howard

COMPUTER RANSOM

The FBI has a new warning about a virus that locks up your computer and holds it for ransom. But paying the ransom may not be the best option. Clark Howard reports.

1:45 – Package

Don Jackson – Dell Secureworks

9/20/12, 5:30 PM, Thursday Lynda Baquero

SELLING YOUR IPHONE

The iPhone 5 hit the street today. If you are planning to upgrade, what will you do with your old phone? Lynda Baquero spoke with the experts on the best way to sell, trade, or repurpose.

1:21 – Package

Joe Lanigan – iPhone owner

Nicole Knox – plans to buy iPhone 5

Christina Warren – Mashable .com

Everett Williams – iPhone owner

9/24/12, 5:30 PM, Monday Bob Hansen

PAWN SHOP ECONOMY

Since the recession, fewer people are keeping their money in the bank. When they need a loan, they're going to a pawnshop. Bob Hansen explains.

1:05 – Package

Jeff Bernard – Pawn shop owner

Ron – Pawn shop customer

NBC - CONSUMER & HOUSING ISSUES SEPTEMBER

TODAY

Friday, 9/7, 9 AM

Today looks at what real estate you can get for your money.

TODAY

Wednesday, 9/12 8 AM

Today looks at the perils of hoarding too much cash.

TODAY

Friday, 9/21 9 AM

Today looks at how to make the most of your credit cards.

TODAY

Tuesday, 9/25 9 AM

Today warns not to get scammed: ways to avoid financial abuse.

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: HEALTH-RELATED ISSUES.....JULY

7/2/12, 5 PM, Monday Jennifer Johnson / NBC

HEALTH CARE FRAUD

Today, the Justice Department said Glaxo Smith Kline will pay 3 billion dollars for promoting two drugs for unapproved uses and failing to disclose safety info about Avandia. Jennifer Johnson explains.

1:39 – Package

James Cole – Deputy Attorney General

Dr. Steven Nissen – Cleveland Clinic

7/3/12, 5:30 PM, Tuesday Erika Edwards

PREMATURE BABIES

Babies born just two weeks before their due date may face academic difficulties by the third grade. Erika Edwards reports.

1:16 – Package

7/4/12, 5:30 PM, Wednesday Lisa Myers

FAKE PHARMACIES

Some potentially life-saving drugs are in critically short supply. While some of those shortages are due to manufacturing issues, fake pharmacies are another reason. Lisa Myers explains.

2:36 – Package

Jay Cuetera – Cancer patient

Bob Braswell – Food & Drug Protection Inspector

Rep. Elijah Cummings – (D) Maryland

7/6/12, 6 PM, Friday Marty Radovanic

CRITZ ON HEALTH ACT

The controversy over Obama's health care reform has not died down. Local Congressman Critz takes issue with the average wage index or the way hospitals are reimbursed for Medicare.

:41 – VO/SOT

Rep. Mark Critz – (D) 12th District

7/9/12, 5:30 PM, Monday Scott MacFarlane

HEALTH REPEAL PREVIEW

The U.S. House will vote this week to formally repeal the Health Reform law. But a much quieter effort by state governors poses a greater threat to the law – states refusing to expand Medicare. Scott MacFarlane reports.

2:02 – Package

Rep. Glenn Thompson – (R) 5th District

Dr. Georges Benjamin – American Public Health Association

Rebecca Freiert – Insurance recipient

7/10/12, 5:30 PM, Tuesday Scott MacFarlane

REPEALING HEALTH CARE REFORM

The US House is preparing to vote formally on the repeal of the Health Care Reform Law. Opponents say they have momentum now. Scott MacFarlane reports.

1:53 – Package

Dr. Georges Benjamin – Former Emergency Room Doctor

Keith Rothfus – Republican Congressional Candidate

Rep. Mark Critz – (D) 12th District

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: HEALTH-RELATED ISSUES.....JULY

7/10/12, 5:30 PM, Tuesday Erika Edwards

ELDERLY CANCER

Finding the right cancer treatment can be tricky, especially for the elderly who often have other age-related medical problems. However, it is still possible to treat older cancer patients, even aggressively. Erika Edwards reports.

1:34 – Package

Nadine McCleary, M.D. – Dana-Farber Cancer Institute

Ellsworth Scott – Had colon cancer

7/11/12, 5:30 / 11 PM, Wednesday Scott MacFarlane

REPEAL VOTE

The U.S. House has just voted to formally repeal the Health Care Reform law. Scott MacFarlane has local reaction.

1:40 – Package

Rep. Bill Shuster – (R) 9th District

Rep. John Lewis – (D) Georgia

Rep. Dan McClintock – (R) California

John Moses – High School Senior

7/17/12, 11 PM, Tuesday Rich Wisniewski

NO SMOKING SIGNS

At St. Marys Benzinger Park, signs have gone up banning smoking. But it is not clear who put the signs up and if they had permission. So they are sparking quite a controversy. Rich Wisniewski reports.

1:12 – Package

Sally Geyer – St. Marys Mayor

7/18/12, 5:30 PM, Wednesday Erika Edwards

EGG ALLERGIES

Some children are over-coming their egg allergies by eating eggs. Erika Edwards has more on this promising treatment for severe food allergies.

1:40 – Package

Stephanie Kuroda – Mother

Dr. Wesley Burks – Univer. Of North Carolina

7/19/12, 5:30 / 11 PM, Thursday Erika Edwards

WHOOPIING COUGH

Whooping cough was once nearly eliminated. Now it is coming back with a vengeance. Erika Edwards reports that the booster shots may not be working as well as thought and many kids have not been getting them.

1:25 – Package

Mary Selecky – Washington Dept. of Health

Dr. Tom Clark – Epidemiologist

Amy Sena – Mother

7/19/12, 5:30 PM, Thursday Jen Johnson

HIV AIDS DRUG

There is new hope in the fight against HIV and Aids. The FDA has approved a drug to reduce the risk of infection, but doctors warn that people should not let their guard down.

:46 - VO/SOT

William Harper – Aids Service Association

WJAC TV LOCAL NEWS: HEALTH-RELATED ISSUES.....JULY

7/23/12, 5:30 PM,

Monday

Erika Edwards

AIDS CONFERENCE

The world's leading HIV and Aids researchers are gathering in Washington and using words like cure and discussing the possibility of an aids-free generation. Erika Edwards reports.

1:51 – Package

Dr. Diane Havlir – University of California, San Francisco

Dr. Myron Cohen, University of North Carolina

Douglas Brooks – Social Worker

NBC – HEALTH RELATED ISSUES . . . JULY

TODAY

Thursday, 7/5 8 AM

Today examines the issue of loans for fertility treatments.

Rock Center with Brian Williams

Thursday, 7/5 10 PM

KATE SNOW: "BORN THAT WAY"

There is a new epidemic in America: babies born addicted to the prescription painkillers their mothers abuse while pregnant. The symptoms are heartbreaking to watch: they have tremors, digestive problems and cry inconsolably. There's little doctors and nurses can do to comfort them as they slowly wean them off of these drugs. Kate Snow reports on the shocking increase in the number of babies born addicted.

TODAY

Tuesday, 7/10 9 AM

Today examines the five facts about stress.

TODAY

Thursday, 7/26 9 AM

Today looks at 12 foods that will change your life.

HEALTH ISSUES JULY

Dr. Phil 7/18/12

Host: Dr. Phil McGraw

Dr. Phil speaks with alleged victims of "The Duchess," a woman facing charges for practicing medicine without a license and reportedly injecting patients with cement, mineral oil and glue, speak out. Those considering plastic surgery or believe that "just one more" procedure will get the results they want learn that plastic surgery is not the answer.

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Dr. Phil 7/25/12

Host: Dr. Phil McGraw

Dr. Phil looks at the battle against anorexia and bulimia. Former sitcom star Tracey Gold talks candidly about how she overcame anorexia.

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Dr. Phil 7/27/12

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Dr. Phil looks at how to get your body back in shape without surgery. Physicians in the health and beauty industry offer expertise.

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8/2/12, 5:30 PM, Thursday Emily Welsh

AUTISM APP

It is no secret that children with autism learn differently than other kids. Now a Pittsburgh-based company has come up with a high-tech way to help autistic kids in the classroom. Emily Welsh reports.

1:31 -- Package

David Culyba -- Co-Founder, Interbots

8/3/12, 5:30 PM Friday Erika Edwards

SWINE FLU

A new strain of swine flu has emerged with 29 cases in humans since last summer. Erika Edwards reports there is no panic over the potential for a pandemic.

1:01 -- Package

Joseph Bresee -- MD-CDC

Amy Thompson -- Monroe County, Indiana

8/8/12, 5 PM, Wednesday Erika Edwards

ARTHRITIS PILL

A new drug to treat rheumatoid arthritis is showing great promise in trials. Erika Edwards reports.

1:05 -- Package

Dr. Elaine Husni -- Cleveland Clinic

8/9/12, 5:30 PM, Thursday Marty Radovanic

CENTRE CREST LOSSES

Despite the facility continuing to lose money, the Centre County commissioners are committed to holding on to their county nursing home.

:52 -- VO/SOT

Steve Dershem -- Centre County Commissioner

8/14/12, 5 / 5:30 PM Tuesday Jen Johnson

CENTER CO WEST NILE

The total number of cases of West Nile in Pennsylvania is now 5. An English-based company is working on a defacto cure for the disease by attempting to greatly reduce the mosquito population.

:57 -- VO/SOT

Dr. Peter Stiling -- Biologist

8/14/12, 5 PM Tuesday Jacqueline Fell

HEALTH CARE CHECKS

Some so-called Obamacare rebate checks are in the mail. In Pennsylvania, insurance companies are shelling out more than 52 million dollars. Jacqueline Fell has more on who could be getting a check.

1:05 -- Package

Sara Ackerman -- Waiting on rebate

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8/15/12, 5 PM

Wednesday

Erika Edwards

WEST NILE EPIDEMIC

At least 700 people nationwide have come down with West Nile virus. The mild winter and rainy spring provided the perfect breeding ground for mosquitoes. Erika Edwards reports people are urged to protect themselves.

1:15 – Package

Dr. William Schaffner – Vanderbilt

Brandon Bennett – Fort Worth Compliance

Betty West – Husband died of virus

8/17/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM

Friday

Maria Miller

HUNTINGDON COUNTY SWINE FLU

Possibly ten people have been infected with a new strain of swine flu, and all have ties to the Huntingdon County Fair. Maria Miller reports that these strains are often linked to livestock.

1:25 – Package

Dr. Stephen Ostroff – PA Dept. of Health

8/20/12, 5:30 PM,

Monday

Doreen Gentzler

EXERCISE ADDICTION

Doctors say an unhealthy disorder: over-exercising is on the rise. Some people obsessively, compulsively exercise to the point that it interferes with work and personal relationships and even cause themselves serious injury. Doreen Gentzler reports.

2:09 – Package

Chris Lear – Recovering exercise addict

Scott Epsley – Physical therapist

Dr. Antonia Baum – Psychiatrist

8/22/12, 5 PM,

Wednesday

Jacqueline Fell

MORE WEST NILE CASES

There are now 8 cases of West Nile virus in Pennsylvania. The new cases were all discovered in Centre County. Jacqueline Fell reports health officials fear the worst is yet to come.

:1:00 – Package

8/23/12, 5 / 6 / 11 PM,

Thursday

Gary Sinderson

SWINE FLU AND FAIRS

County fairs across the nation, including at least one in our area, have been plagued with a new type of swine flu virus that's making kids sick. Gary Sinderson reports that if your kids are going to a fair with livestock, you should be concerned.

1:12 – Package

David Wolfgang – Penn State Ag Sciences

8/23/12, 11 PM,

Thursday

Rich Wisniewski

CLFD COUNTY MOSQUITO SPRAY

More and more mosquitoes are carrying the West Nile virus, an illness that can affect both animals and humans. Health officials are doing their part to control the outbreak. Rich Wisniewski reports.

1:36 – Package

Vincent Lenzoni – DuBois resident

Kay Boyd-Rowe – DuBois resident

Richard Leach – DuBois resident

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8/24/12, 5:30 PM,

Friday

Clark Howard

ECONOMY STRESS

A new type of psychology is helping people cope with the stress caused by the economy. Clark Howard explains how your financial health could have an impact on your mental health.

1:35 – Package

Dr. Mary Gresham – Financial Psychologist

8/24/12, 5 PM,

Friday

Brittany Boyer

CARDIAC CONCERNS

A new law goes into effect this school year for high school athletes. The law requires coaches and parents to know the warning signs of sudden cardiac arrest. Brittany Boyer reports on how one district is implementing this act.

1:15 – Package

Pamela Murdock – High School Athletic Director, DuBois

8/24/12, 5 PM,

Friday

Scott MacFarlane

BLACK LUNG CONCERNS

Big changes may be coming to deep underground mining. A series of new Washington reports are raising scary questions about black lung disease. New safety rules may be coming.

1:20 – Package

Gary Quarles – Father of Black Lung victim

Chris Hamby – Center for Public Integrity

Revae Moran – Government Accountability Office

NBC – HEALTH RELATED ISSUESAUGUST

TODAY

Wednesday, 8/15 9 AM

Today looks at the check-ups needed to go back to school – are they necessary?

Rock Center with Brian Williams

Thursday, 8/16 10 PM

HARRY SMITH: “IN TREATMENT”

Tom Cruise, John Travolta and Kirstie Alley are all famous Scientologists who have praised Narconon, a drug rehabilitation program based on the teachings of Scientology’s founder, L. Ron Hubbard. But, three young people have died in the past year while under care at Narconon’s flagship facility in Oklahoma. The deaths have sparked outrage, the families of those who died want answers, and there are new questions about this global network of rehab centers. Harry Smith investigates.

TODAY

Friday, 8/17 9 AM

Today looks at the best snacking: at the beach, movies, airplanes, etc.

TODAY

Monday, 8/20 8 AM

Today examines the role of stress in the lives of Americans.

Monday, 8/20 9 AM

Today examines binge eating among men.

TODAY

Tuesday, 8/21, 9 AM

Today examines technology that helps your health.

TODAY

Monday, 8/27 8 AM

Today looks at home strength training for young athletes.

Monday, 8/27 9 AM

Today looks at sleep routines for kids.

TODAY

Thursday, 8/30 8 AM

Today looks at fresh new ways to tackle migraines.